

MILITARY REPORT - PACIFIC & IKPXS OGTIAH MYAL ACTIVE

1st May, 1942

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A) SOUTH SSSBSIS PACIFIQ area

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (East of & including Thursday Is. & Adelaide)

MILITARY REPORT

TIT T&E Port HHT (including aircraft carrier HYOKICMK# 8J Cruisers "ASTORIA" "PO32LANP" "CHESTER", U.S. Destroyers WEAMSAS "ANISERSON" "WALKE" WS3STX" "MORRISW and Ciler WAS&A3CIAH) ea route Tongatabu to Sew Hebrides area.

- (11) "CEICAGO" at Mousse. To K.V. with Teak Fore@ 17 at 1300 today 1/S.
- (111) "VHUKPMI" & "EDWARDS" sailed from Sydney 1300/30 for Hervey Bay F.P.A. 1200/2/5 so fuel from "KIPPLE" & "EDWARDS" SAUSTRALIA** (Flag) and "HOBART" to sail from Sydney a.m. today 1/S for firag practise off Sydney Heads, these@ to Hervey Bay, arriving 1600/2/5. After R.V. at Hervey Bay "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "KIPPLE" & "EDWARDS" to sail @ 3000/2/5 to R.V. with Teak Fore@ 17 one hour after daylight am 4/S.
- (iv) "ICATHKBLA3" at WILLASTOWN. Expected to depart today jfe/ escorting "HAETSUYKSH" to Tongatabu via Sriabane.
- (v) "MORRISW" (M&K. Fytilia Leader) engaged in working up exercises returning to Sydney at 2330/2/5.
- (vi) "SESH" (U.S. Destroyer) and "MILCOSE" (U.S. aircraft tender) arrived Port Phillip from Sydney 1250 yesterday 30/4.
- (vii) "FRITIN3W" with H. 52. "GOLLOM" departed Koumea 0525 yesterday 30/4.
- (viii) "WOYAOEH" departed Melbourne 1003/30/4 for Fremantle for duty with Task Force 51. B.T.A. a.a. 5/5.
- (ix) "WABHAM" (Butch Minesweeper) with Dutch submarines H9 and K12 at Port Adelaide. E.T.A. 1830 today 1/5 for Melbourne E.T.A. 4/5.
- (x) "BREGON" arrived Sydney 1800 yesterday 30/4.
- (xi) "ATKXSS" P.T.D. Melbourne 0800/3/s for Newcastle E.T.A. 1400/4/5.
- (xii) "BAILAM" and "BOMER" en route Brisbane to Port Moresby via Townsville E.T.A. Townsville 0600 today 1/5. "COLAC" is to join "LAEAF" in place of "BENDICGH". "SEIBI30" with engine trouble is to repair at Townsville and later escort "AACHA" to Port Moresby S.T. 15. Townsville about 3/5.
- (xiii) "BINOSRAH" & "MIMA" depart Brisa e 1735/30/4 with "ARUMBA" for Platypus Bay.
- (xiv) "CESSOCK" escorting "TABOCKA" es route Port Moresby to Townsville E.T.A. @600 today 1/5.
- (xv) "GOLDSFISH" departed Melbourne yesterday 30/4 for Albany.
- (xvi) At Sydney - "STKALIAW" "JADOM" "AIDSS" "J.D. FOKB" "VAHRBCO" "3-AMW KMCTOHA" refitting: - "JIKSSAM" "B. TILOMBAST" "4.3. PROSSTOK"
- (xvii) At Melbourne - "EAXVBLA" "FRIDOTTA" (Repairing) "TUCKER" "PHC-10" "FATREB3" "STUART" "WRIGHT"
- (xviii) At Brisbane - "SRIF5" "XHB" "LSA"
- (xix) For "OABARIN" in Eastern sector - see Appendix.
- (xx) "PALOMAS" with "STILO" Thursday Island aboard departed Thursday Is. 0600/29 to sea Barnley, York and Murray Ia. coastwise using telradio posts with army personnel; expected to return Thursday Is. tomorrow 2/5.

Present Report (See Appendix)

- (i) Seaplane tender "FUJIKAWA" is probably at Rabmil and another tender "AMXKAWA" is in the Truk - New Britain area and expected to arrive East of us soon.
- (ii) The following enemy ships were sighted on 30/4 in the hismarok area:-
- (a) 52 miles S.S.E. of Eavieng - one 4,000 ton freighter bearing 120 at 1120/30.
- (b) Sekitibur, Alexisfen (New Guinea) - two 5-5,000 ton freighters at wharf.
- (c) 20 miles S.S. of Tonga Group Bow Ireland - one very large transport escorted by two large destroyers course 2008, at 1130/50/4.

(g) 30 miles south of Ruffessey Point, New Ireland -
One large transport, source 105°.

2* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

- (i) Aircraft Tender "HERON" departed Albany for Fremantle 28/4.
- (ii) K.M. 5 "ALSHI" on route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. 1700/6/0.
- (iii) "WEDS" en route Albany to Adelaide B.F.A. 1345/3. Thence Sydney.
- (iv) "PUNJAB" at Fremantle. Later to proceed to Adfu Atoll with tanker "THELMA".
- (v) At Fremantle - "SLACI HAWK" "OFY3" "K.e" - (see Appendix) "THIRTYFIVE" "SKLJSIO BROVXG3" (oilers)
- (vi) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see Appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LAKE" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (vii) Sharks Bay Area - U.S. Seaplane Tender "CHEDS"
- (viii) At Geraldton - "LAEAKAI" (U.S. auxiliary)
- (ix) For submarines in western Sector - see Appendix.

3* EAST INDIAN SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

Five submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or K.E.X. area (see Appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

Warship Force Fr. 2070 {7 Troopships and 1 freight ship} departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "XHBIA" (AOL135 (U.S. Cruiser)).

Enemy forces

- (i) a force including 2 probably 3 aircraft carriers "ZUIKAI" "HYAKU" 5 and 88 Cruisers ("SYSKO" "HAGERO") some destroyers and possibly a battleship which may be "HIYEX" was recently assembled in the Truk area for operations to the southward, and is probably now south of Truk. "RYUKAKI" is still possibly on route Truk from Japan. "ATASQ" (AOL Cruiser) is reported en route Southern Mandates from Japan and is probably intended for the above force. There are also indications that "K&S" (a/c Carrier) which is expected to arrive Kwajalein (Marshalls) tomorrow 2/5, will also join this force.
- (ii) Aircraft Carrier "HAGA" is expected to depart Sasebo soon for sea, after extensive repairs.
- (iii) "J" - 5 battleships from Batavia 3, recently operating in the Bay of Bengal, have returned to Bombay Yards and are expected to remain there until the middle of the month.
- (iv) Submarine Force - One or possibly two submarine squadrons are probably either in or proceeding to the Mandates.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Group 12.2 {HEANPERB "ACHILLES" & U.S. Destroyers "WFLU335R" "WHELEX" & "HEIM"} escorting five ships forming part of Convoy Fr. 2059 to Vila.
- (ii) "AHLAIB" en route Fiji to Sydney S.T.A. 0500/3/d.
- (iii) Task Force 9.6.2 {Seaplane Tender "TANGIER" with accompanying aircraft} at Kousia.
- (iv) Task Force 1/3 disposed as follows - "MORIM" (Destroyer Tender) & "SOLACE" (Hospital Ship) at Roatutu, "WHIXSB" (Store ship) at Fiji.
- (v) "BOISE" en route Melbourne to Samoa I.T.A. 1530 tomorrow e/5.
- (vi) "BUXSAY" (U.S. Minelayer - Minediv 8) at Fiji. "KOHQOSTAI" proceeding to Suva S.T.A. 1200/2/b to relieve "A" (in Minediv 2) who departed for Pearl Harbour 1b/4 with "C&TAMA".
- (vii) "MTO" escorting S.S. "PREBIBSST COOLIDOS" to vicinity of Bara Bora. Arrival at U.T. 31. "LOUIS" to relieve "RICHMOND".

as escort of »COOLXDQF* to San Francisco and HIGHCOND" to proceed Bora 8>ra to & ssue duties with Task Group M2. (VII) MOHOCAL* en route to Melbora to Aucitend E.T.A. 2330 today W 7/12 *u*/AOfc (i) S. Destroyer) departed Fiji 10701 yesterday <50/4. (xi) WIPPECANOEM (U.S. Giler) departed Noumea 0770/89 for unknown destination.

- (xi) At Saofc - "SAM" (U.S. aircraft tender).
- (xii) At Suva - "SUMMER" (U.S. Survey Ship) "AIOSSN" (Jis. Aaaannn ship)
- (xiii) At Noumea »S«HIKVKBSILN (Free Trench Sloop), "OPELOHAW" - "WILKANNIAM" "BISHOPDALLS" (Oiler) "MEHKULR" j(2.S.*. Store Ship)
- (xiv) At Auckland - "ASCAHIAH".

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

B) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA (See Appendix)

F) INDIAN OCEAN

W) British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy B04 (»ISLEROCK" & "BUNIROOR") escorted by "CHITRAL" departed Colombo 12/4 together with "4Sf?? n»gsFL«T wae to be joined at Morabasa by *»<#*» "HILX m»WSEL j; thence Fremantle and Adelaide via Durban*. "KAF00&ffIA" to be detached Troa convoy and to proceed independently to Prestjante calln& at Mauritius for fuel*.
- (ii) »MAUNCMUIH (Hospital Ship) en route Fremantle to Calacabo H.n.j. g/g.*
- (iii) »WAKOAKELAW (Hospital Ship) departed Colombo 28/4 for Fremantle*.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

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3. EMILY'S PROBABLE MOVE

- (i) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (ii) Carrier-Borne TM fair raids SrS Sinst N.R. Mstmalian air bases including Horn Island, Tomaville, and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on Darwin area possibly as a prelude to a direct attack. T., a , B
- (iv) possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (v) Consolidation and further occupation of western strategic podiata in the Solomon Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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1st May 194B.

A. SOOTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. PACIFIC AUSTRALIA SECTOR (East of and Including Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

Aircraft Carrier	EF-3C2ITC	R&IT: If-G. LI Rj. AiHITQ
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3/p Tender		W.B.PRSSTGH
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Gun Boat	TULSA	

2n&my Forces

New Guineal- Bissark AroMpelago - Solomons Area.

12 Naval Air Authorities' IriGxtSin' Fortiori' ulitose Air Squadron
 C.C., 1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F.B.
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 Seaplane Tenders

- 3 - Ef Cruisers
- 4 - possibly 5 - 5.5M Cruisers.

3. SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA (Canid.)

1* KASIA - ISLANDIA SKETCH (Contd)

Naval Forces

few Guinea - Bifayk Arempela...o - Solomons Area (Contd)

Approximately 8 Destroyers

Approximately 21 Merchant ships including several Artsy trans-ports (some of these may be transporting supplies between Srak and Rabaul)

1 Converted Seaplane tender (*FU/XKASA EAHB*)

1 Squadron SUTK&rlmaa

1 Sub Depot Ship ?

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion of Submarine Division

Approx. 102 shore-based aircraft including probably 42 fighters, 36 heavy bomber#, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes*

9 motor torpedo boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrives).

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SKETCH. (East of Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers
Destroyers

S/P Tenders

Destroyer Tender
Submarine Tenders

Submarines

Effective, Afloat, or Repairing

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Patch Submarine

3. KASTIMIS - PHILIPPINES SKETCH (North of and including Java - Timor & Dutch New Guinea)

British and Allied Forces

15 Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or S.t.l. Area (See above)

Naval Forces

At least 1 Battleship

1 - B" Cruiser

3 - 8" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

11 asor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats#

B) GENERAL PACIFIC AREA
North Pacific Area

	Effective	Refitting or Repairing
Battleships	60 (16-16H) MAHYLAKB (8-16*) MISSISSIPPI (12-14*) MEXICO (12-14*) IDABO (12-14") TEHHBSSK3 (12-14*) MEXICO (12-14*)	
A/C Carriers	XINTERPRXSB FOXISUGFO HOHHSY	SARATOGA
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8* Cruisers	ATU NTA D3? 01T HASIEVILXS	HELENA RILEIGH
Destroyers	40 {approx}	
Submarines	23 {approx}	

Enemy Forces

(Palau - Saipan - Boning - Japan)

7 A/C Carriers	AKAOX KAMUW SYZCW RTUJO KOSHO KORYU (KAQA)	8 - 9 battleships In home waters ? ? Probably at Kure ? At Sasebo Yards, Japan (damaged)
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- 6 - 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 50 Destroyers
- 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

4 A/C Carriers	"SHOSUCJ" "ZUIKANU" "KASMA"	prob. Truk - New Britain area prob. en route Truk from Japan En route Karah&ls from Japan
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- 2 - 8" Cruisers
- some light cruisers
- units 4th Fleet
- possibly 12 destroyers
- 1 Converted Seaplane Tender
- At least 12 Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special landing party Force (Karin)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th flr. 2* Aadr and portlon
- Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

Marshalls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 sea? Carrier ("EA?OI")
- 1 M/3 Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air authorities including portion Yokohama F/B & squadron and 1st Air Corps, O.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- 6 unidentified warships
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital Ship
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

C. SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers

Effective Befitting or Repairing

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Destroyers

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S/P Tender

a/G Tender

D. NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers

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F. INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAS AREA
British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective Befitting or Repairing

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A.M.C's

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers

Submarines

25 (approx)

7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

3" - 4" Torpedoes

16 Destroyers

50 Submarines

C i i i C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Bad May, 1948

DISPOSITION ALLXSP S KBERT KAVAL FOHC 53A) SOUTH PACIFIC BIRTH & AIR FORCE AREA1. GAS FLEET AUSTRALIA SECTOR (East of Is Including Thursday Is. & Adelaide)

British and U.S. Bases

(i) The fleet consists of two aircraft carriers, 6 heavy cruisers, 14 destroyers and an oiler is operating in the Coral Sea. The "KALIA" & "ROAKTA" are to join on board after daylight on 4/5 (vide ii).

(ii) The "HOBART" departed Sydney 1015/30/4, to U.V. with "LEAFHORN" & "LEAFHORN" in Esvoy Bay at 1800 today 2/5, & 11 four ships to proceed at 2000 to 3.W. with Task Force 17, whence "WILHELM" & "EDWARDS" proceed to Vila to relieve HENSLY & HELM E.F.A. 5/5.

(iii) "ABGLAIDE" en route Fiji to Sydney E.T.A. 0500 tomorrow 3/5.

(iv) "KANSAS" assorting "METSUKEB" departed Melbourne for Tongatabu via Sriabane 1545/1. E. & Brisbane 1500/5.

(v) "TKC" (Butch Flotilla Leader) engaged in working up exercises returning to Sydney at 2330 today 2/5.

(vi) "FOCNE" (U.S. Destroyer) and "HAWK" (U.S. Aircraft Tender) are to depart Melbourne at 1001 today 2/4 for Fremantle E.T.A. a.m. 9/5.

(vii) "WACSP" en route Melbourne to Presanle for duty with Task Force 51 B.T.A. 0850/5.

(viii) "AMMAM CTRSSH" departed Adelaide escorting Butch submarines K9 and K12, at 1750/1 for Selbourne @ V.F.A. dawn 4/5.

(ix) "H305" B.T.P. Melbourne 0600 today 2/5 for Newcastle I.T.A. 1600/4/5. "WYALHA" to U.V. at 1530 today & provide escort.

(x) H.F. "TMOSS" from Port Moresby proceeding to Townsville E.T.A. 0500/1/5. "CB3SKOCK" which was escorting is to proceed to position approx 90 miles S.S.K. from Port Moresby to effect rescue of personnel on rafts or boats sighted p.m. 1/5.

(xi) "BALLIBAFM" en route Townsville to Port Moresby S.T.A. p.m. 3/5. "SOLAC" was to a.v. at 0300 today 2/5. "CESSOCK" will K.V. with the convoy off Port Moresby at 0700 tomorrow 3/5.

(xii) "NOLBAE" departed Melbourne 50/4 for Albany.

(xiii) "WATM" with 8.1.0. Thursday Island aboard expected to return Thursday Island today 2/5 after manning Barnley, York and Murray Is. east of the radio posts with army personnel.

(xiv) At Sydney - "AUSTRALIA" "ALBSH" "J.B.FORD" "SWAN" refitting - "OAEBSRAH" "VICTORIA"

(xv) At Melbourne - "VKS BETTA" (repairing) "TUCKER" "PIFWO" "AUREUS" "STOAT" "WRIGHT"

(xvi) At Brisbane - "MHLFIS" "TLI 3A"

(xvii) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See appendix)

(i) Japanese submarines "FUJIKAWA" and "SAGIKAWA" are operating in the Rabaul area.

(ii) Japanese supply ship is due to arrive Rabaul 4/5.

(iii) The two ships reported at Alexiafen on 30/4 were not sighted there or at Madang yesterday 1/5.

(iv) Air reconnaissance 1/d reported two unidentified ships about 55 miles W. of Otao (Solomon), one probably a transport about 2,500 tons, well armed which opened fire with A.A. guns, and the other probably a trawler.

3. AUSTRALIA 3BCTQR (West of Thursday I., h Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "BARKER" & "BULMER" (0 S. Destroyers) were to depart Fremantle for Melbourne about 000/1/5.
- (ii) "PAUL JOSES" "PARROTT" & "TBIHIFY" en route Fremantle to Albany.
- (iii) H.M.S. "AISEY" an route Fremantle to Melbourne R.T.A. 1700/b/s.
- (iv) "HOBBS" en route Albany to Adelaide K.T.A. 1343/3. Thence Sydney.
- (v) "PUNJAB" at Fremantle. Litter to proceed to Addu Atoll with tanker "WELMAR".
- (vi) At Fremantle - "PBOMIX" "SBR" "BLACKEAWK" "NOTU3" "K.8" - (see Appendix) "AKLIWBBOVIC" (Oiler).
- (vii) At Albany - "HOLLAS" (see appendix) "Minaaweepera" "WAIHEB" "XIT7" "MILL".
- (viii) Sharks Bay Area - U.S. Seaplane Tender "CHILDS".
- (ix) Geraldton area - "LAMA" (U.S. auxiliary).
- (x) For submarines in Western Center - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDUS - PHILIPPINES 3BCTQR

British and Allied Forces

Ten submarines on patrol stations in China sea op LuE.J. area (see Appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix) - "ASHIGARA" (8" Cruiser) has arrived Surabaya (Java) from the Celebes area.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC MEA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy FS. 2070 (7 troopships and 1 freight ship) departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "IBIARA" (U.S. Cruiser).

Enemy Forces

- (i) A force including possibly 1 battleship ("HIFEI") 3 aircraft carriers ("SHOKAKU" "ZUYUKAW" "RYUKAKU") two B-1 Cruisers ("SSYOS" "WAOJURQA") and at least 4 destroyers is now in the Truk - New Britain area. Forces available in the Rabaul area to reinforce the above include three 8" Cruisers and 4 possibly 5 light cruisers. "ATAOG" (8" Cruiser) is reported en route. Southern Mandates from Japan and is probably intended for the above force. There are indications that "XASUGA" (a/c Carrier) which is expected to arrive Kwajalein (Marshall) today 2/5, will also join this force.
- (ii) Aircraft Carrier "KAB" is expected to depart Sasebo soon for sea, after extensive repairs.
- (iii) JAPAN - 3 battleships from BatDiv 3, recently operating in the Bay of Senga, have returned to Hoeyards and are expected to remain there until the middle of this month.
- (iv) O.O.3. Colombo reports 50/4 a strong concentration of enemy units (at least 27) in the Marshall area.
- (v) Submarines - One or possibly two submarine squadrons are probably either in or proceeding to the Mandates.

C) SOUTHEAST PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "A8D" "LIMB" 2 S. Destroyers "HENLEY" & "MEXM" escorting four ships from Convoy FS. 2059 to Vila K.T.A. 5/5, a fifth ship with engine trouble is under separate escort of "LUSSETT".
- (ii) Task Force 9.8.2 (Seaplane Trawler "ANOHIA" with accompanying aircraft) at Noumea.
- (iii) "BOISE" en route Melbourne to Samoa K.T.A. 1530 today 2/5.
- (iv) "UICHMOHD" at Bora Bora.
- (v) "DOBBIN" (Destroyer Tender) and "SOLACE" (Hospital Ship) at Tongatabu.
- (vi) "BRIDOK" (Store Ship) "SIGNER" (S. S. Survey Ship) "USSEN" (U.S. ammunition ship) at Suva.
- (vii) "CHM" (Free French Sloop) "OEKLONS" "ELCAKNIA" "BISEOPDALE" (Oiler) "KJIKSR" (Store Ship) at Noumea.
- (viii) "ASCANIA" at Auckland.
- (ix) "MINO" en route Melbourne to Auckland K.T.A. 2330/1.

(*) *ANUSKY* (in S. Minalayer - Sinediv 2) at Fiji, "MGS?OO&SHT" arrived Sava hl43/1 to replace "QAMSLE" in Minediv 2.

(xi) "EIOFJ," (S.3p#1j*oyor Tender) also "KIPX@S" (u*3.D@stawj@3) departed Pausing Island 29/4 for New Zealand.

(xii) "TANTON" "OORCOHD" (S" Cr#1#3?a) dtl* Sara Bora 3/5.

») HOLEISM MGIFIC AKA

E) SOUTH EASTOS PACIFIC AiQg (See Appendix)

P) SBSSI COCSAK

Shilala and Allied Forces

UT forvoy SW ("IS&LEHOT" & "TAJBTRWU") reported by "SURATAJ" departed Colombo 1S/4 together with "FATOOMBAT". Convoy was to be joined at Monibasa by R.t.t.*PSLXX 30USSELS; thence Fremantle and Adelaide via BWAaa# "FIATDOMBA" to be detached from convoy and to proceed independently to Prawaatl@ calling at Saantitua for fuel.

(ii) "MILWILINOX" (Hospital Ship) @a route Fremantle to Colombo SvT.A. 8/5.

(iii) "WAKAA&ELLA" (Hospital Ship) departed th@lobe 2e/4 for Fremantle.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

2. NAVAL INTEPBATA

(i) Nff? SOTKKA - Cinopa@ reported 30/4 that f@o Marua were seen to de@srE Kabaul to H.Y. with the Saipan Baa@ *arce off Baboyne Is. (Louislade Archipelago) in connection with a projected occupation of F@jtK@r#fby. Shear@ were indications that th# emmj was also imicreoted in Sajmatai and Cap@ Rodney area.

(ii) f@o boats of rafts, one with 20 men and the other with 5 men were slanted by reconnaissance aircraft approx 90 miles S.K. of Port Moresby at 1706/1. Oil and timber on the water @qg#M&d that a vessel had recently been sunk. Is allied vessel is known to be mlasing in the vicinity but an unidentified two n&et@d lu?sr was sighted about 68 stiles S.B. of Moresby at 1355/S&4.

(iii) ejfeLIMSS - Sfila Ksru reported two torpedo hits on 30/4 in position 7°24'N, 156°18'E. She waablft f@ proceed tasamsaa on her way towards Imieji.

3. ENEMY*3 JRO8ABI3S HEX? I80VH

(i) attack on fort Moresby ares.

(ii) Carrier*-borne air raids against S.E. Australia air bases including Horn Island, Townsville, and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.

(iii) Heavy air attacks on Darwin area possibly as a prelude to a direct attack.

(iv) Possible attack on He@ Caledonia or Fiji Islands.

(v) Consolidation and further occupation of *@stern a tratagic points in the Solraion Iala nda.

(vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Sertral and South west Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC AND INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY
2nd May 1942

A. SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (East of and Including Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and allied Forces

	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>REFITTING OR REPAIRING</u>
Aircraft Carriers	LEXINGTON YORKTOWN	
Cruisers	MINNEAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS ASTORIA CHESTER PORTLAND CHICAGO AUSTRALIA HOBART ADELAIDE	
Destroyers	PHELPS DEWEY WOLKIN DALE FARUGUT MONOGRAM MORRIS HAMMAN ANDERSON RUSSK HUGHES WILKE SIMS PERKINS ALDEN EDWARDS FORD WHIPPLE TUCKER STUART TROMP	LE TRIOMPHANT VENDETTA
Submarines	S.47 S.38 S.42 S.44 S.37 S#39 S.40 S.41 S.43 S.45 S.46	} On patrol } At Brisbane
Dutch Submarines	K.9 K.12	} At Adelaide
A.M.C's	WESTRALIA KANIMBLA MANOORA	
S/P Tender		W.B. PRESTON
A/C Tender	WRIGHT	
Submarine Tender	GRIFFIN	
Gun Boat	TULSA	

Enemy Forces

New Guinea-Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

14 Naval Air Authorities including portion of Itose Air Squadron C.O.

1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F.B. Squadron

Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane

Tenders : 3 or 4 Cruisers, 3 possibly 5 - 5.5" Cruisers

A. SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA (Contd)1. PASTORAL AREA SECTOR (Contd)Enemy Forces

Kew Giliwa - Bismarck Archipelago - unknown from (Contd)

Approximately 8 Destroyers

Approximately 20 Merchant ships including several Army Transports
(some of these may be transporting supplies between Truk and Rabaul)

1 Converted Seaplane tender ("JIFUKAWA MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship ?

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx. 102 shore-based aircraft including probably 42 fighters,
36 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes*.

9 motor torpedo boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)*.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (west of Thursday Island and Adelaide)
British and Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
6" Cruisers	PHOENIX	
Destroyers	BULMER BARKER PAUL JOKES PARROTT	
s/p Tenders	CHILDS HERON	
Destroyer Tender	BLACK HAWK	
Submarine Tenders	OTUS HOLLAND	
Submarines	<u>ON PATROL STATIONS</u> POKERISE SAROO PIXE STURGEON SPFAKFISH STINGRAY SKIPJACK PICKEREL SWORDFISH SAILFISH	
	REPAIRS km PREPARING TO a PATROLS	
	<u>At Fremantle - overhaul</u>	
	SEADHAON *	
	SEARAYEN w	
	SNAPPER)	
	PERMIT) At Albany - tender overhaul	
	SEAL)	
	SCULPIN At Albany	
	SALMON) En route Albany to Fremantle	
	SAURY)	
Dutch Submarine	K*3	At Fremantle

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR (North of and including Java - Timor - Dutch New Guinea)British and Allied Forces10 Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E. I. Area
(See above)Enemy Forces

At least 1 Battleships

1 - 8" Cruiser

3 - 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British & Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
Little Hi QS	COLORADO (8-16 ^N)	
	MARYLAND (8-16 ^N)	
	MISSISSIPPI (12-14 ^H)	
	NEW MEXICO (12-14 ^N)	
	IDAHO (12-14 ⁹)	
	TENNESSEE (12-14 ^N)	
	PENNSYLVANIA (12-14 [*])	
a/c Carriers	ENTERPRISE	SARATOGA
	HORNET	
8" Cruisers	SALT LAKE CITY	
	NORTHAMPTON	
	INDIANAPOLIS	
	San FRANCISCO	
	VINCENNES	
	LOUISVILLE	
	EBNSACOLA	
6" Cruisers	ATLANTA	HELENA
	DETROIT	RALEIGH
	BASEEVILLE	
	ST. LOUIS	
Destroyers	40 (approx)	
Submarines	23 (Approx)	

Enemy Forces(Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan)

Units of the Combined Fleet including 8 -- 9 battleships
 In Home Waters

7 A/C Carriers	AKAGI	
	SOHYU	H
	HIRYU	M
	RYUJO	Probably at Kure
	HOSHU	
	KORYU	9
	(KAGA)	At Sasebo Yards, Japan (damaged)

6 -- 8^N Cruisers
 2 -- 6^N Cruisers
 30 Destroyers
 30 Submarines

Mandated IslandsTruk Area

possibly 1 battleship

4 A/C Carriers	"SROKAKU"	"ZUIKAKO"	Truk-New Britain area
	"RYUKAKU"		probably Truk area
	"KASUGA"		probably at Kwajalein

2 -- 8^N Cruisers

some light cruisers

some units 4th fleet

possibly 12 destroyers

1 Converted Seaplane Tender

At least 12 Chartered Merchant ships

Special landing party Force (Marines)

Several Air squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats (Assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMO")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron and 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron

6 unidentified warships

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant ships including one Hospital Ship

16 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

C. SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
6" Cruisers	RICHMOND MILWAUKEE H?M PER ACHILLES HONOLULU BOISE CONCORD TRENTON FLUSSER HENLEY HELM LAMSON KecALL	
Destroyers	A3CANIA MONONAI TANGIER SSAH	
A.M.C.'s		
s/p Tender		
a/s Tender		

D. BORTH PACIFIC AREA

E. SOUTH EASTERS PACIFIC AREA

F. INDIAH OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA
British and Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
Battleships	WABSIM W RESOLUTION REVEKOK RAMILLIES ROYAL SOVEREIGN VALIANT	
A/C Carriers	FORMIDABLE INTOMITABLE	
8" Cruiser	GEORGIOS AVEROPF (Greek)	
6" Cruisers	CALEDON DRAGON ENTERPRISE EMERALD CERES DURBAF Bifal MOEAM GLASGOW COLOMBO CAPETOWN NEWCASTLE DANAE DAUNTLESS WORCESTERSHIRE HECTOR RAMCHI CORFU CMITRAL ALAUZIA HEEMSKERCK COVENTRY	SUMATRA
A.A.C.'s		
A.A. Vessels		
Destroyers	25 (approx)	
Submarines	7 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

3 -.6" Cruisers

16 Destroyers

20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

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DAILY APPRECIATION - VAGUE IC k g (1) M 8 OGBUJ W VAL ACTIVITY
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1. EI3/05THIQKS ALLIED fr EHY:fy KAVAL FQ: CL5A) SUBTK WESTERN PACIFIC 10 AKFA1. HGTTRH AUSTRALIA E-G-Qd (Fast of ft including Thursday Ia. k Adelaide)British and Allied forces

- (ii) Task Force W (consisting of two aircraft carriers, 6 heavy Cruisers, 14 destroyers and an oiler) is operating in the Coral Sea. "AUSTRALIA" & "HOBART" are to join one hour after daylight on 4/5 (vide ii)
- (iii) "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" & "KIT?PLK" proceeding to U.V. with T.F. 17 4/5 ~~nikmm~~ "ELPKUG" Ia to proceed Vila E.T.A. 6/5. "EPWAKPSB" has returned to Sydney for docking and will be replaced by "ALDISF" who departed Sydney 1235/2 "THIPPLE" and "ALDBW" are to relieve "HELM" & "KENLLT".
- (iv) "ADELAIDE" en route Fiji to Sydney H.T.A. 0500 today 5/5
- (v) "KAVIHLA" escorting "MASTSUYKJ&h" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu via Brisbane K.T.A. Brisbane 1500/5
- (vi) "KSTALIA" to leave Port Jackson for exercises 6/5.
- (vii) "T&OH?" was to return to Sydney from working up exercises yesterday 2/5.
- (viii) "T*JOKER" and "WEIGHT" departed Portwarne 1001 yesterday 2/5 for Fremantle E.T.A. 0801/8
- (ix) "HVOYAC" en route Seibourne to Fremantle for duty with Teak Force 51 F.T.A. 0830/5
- (x) "ABTAHA" "GHYJiSciES" en route Adelaide to Melbourne escorting Dutch submarines K9 and K12 departed for Melbourne E.T.A. dawn 4/5.
- (xi) "HATBM929" Melbourne 0620 2/5 for Seecastle E.T.A. 1600/4/5. "FFHYAILLA" to U.V. at 1530/2 and provide escort.
- (xii) "BALLARAT" 7 "COLAC" escorting "OBMSJK" en route Townsville to Port Moresby E.T.A. 1800 3/5. "CKSSKOCKH" will R.V. with the convoy off Port Moresby at 0700 today 3/5
- (xiii) "BVHGAREK" is to depart Sydney 1001 today 3/5 for Port Phillip E.T.A. 2300/5. To berth at Geelong 6/5.
- (xiv) "GOLDSTAR" departed Melbourne 5c/4 for Albany.
- (xv) At Sydney - "WESTSALIA" "MAEODRA" "EXSAUS" "J.D. Adit" "WARREGO" "3SAS"
- Refitting - "QAmnia" "LB TRICH" "VICTORIA" "PRESTOW"
- (xvi) At Melbourne - "VAEKTTA" (repairing) "PINOWO" "STUART"
- (xvii) At Brisbane - "GAPFH" "TULSA"
- (xviii) For submarines in Eastern sector - see appendix

Enemy ForcesW1 jigsit

Allied aircraft over Bsbaul on 2/5 sighted 17 ships in the harbour, including one light cruiser, 3 large transports, and the remainder medium size transports. In addition, one transport, escorted by a destroyer, was sighted entering the harbour from the east.

(i) TALILI BAY

Two large transports were slanted unloading into barges near the western shore of Talili Bay

(ii) NEW AVXNA

Aerial photographs taken over Sek (Alexishafen) on 1/5 reveal 6 vessels, 140 feet long in the harbour, apparently submarine chasers, type SI.

(iv) SOLQKofcS

An enemy submarine was sighted at 1050/2 approx. 140 miles W.S. of Shortland Island, on a course of 110°.

(v) GAJJKAI I3Attp

1 merchant ship (5,000-6,000 tons) and 1 smaller vessel, course 90° sighted 18 miles E. of Oattdml Island at 0522/2/5.

(vi) TETIFARI I5LAKD

1 merchant ship of 8,000 tons course 358° was sighted 5 miles SSE of Cape Nepean at 0716/2/5.

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Enemy Forces (Contd)

NEW GEORGIA

2 small merchant ships course 358° sighted 8 miles SSE of Viru Harbour

(ix) Santa JORGE ISLAND (South coast of Santa Isabel Island)

Three and possibly 6 ships were sighted off San Jorge Island at 1530/2/5. These ships were later reported to be proceeding towards Tulagi.

Comments The ships referred to in paragraphs 5,6,7 are possibly the *mam* as those referred to in paragraph 9

(x) HOCKHAMPTON

An enemy submarine was sighted at 1718/2/5 in a position approx. 380 miles E. by N. of Hockhampton, on a southerly course. Graded B.2.

2* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (West of Santa Is. & Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

(i) BULMER (U.S. Destroyers) en route en route en route to Melbourne

(ii) "PAUL JOBES" "PAHROTT" & "TRINITY" arrived Albany 1405/2

(iii) "H.M.3. "ALSBY" en route en route to Melbourne K.T.A. 1700/6/5.

(iv) "HERO" en route Albany to Adelaide E.T.A. 1345/3. Thence Sydney.

(v) "DELORAI" departed *Xmas* for Thursday Is. escorting "TUIAGI" E.T.A. 1730/4

(vi) "PUHJAB" departed en route with tanker "THELMA" for addu Atoll 0700/2 E.T.A. 17/5.

(vii) At Krenantle - "PHOKNIX" "MEKOH" "BLACKHAWK" "OFTIS" "K.8n. (see appendix) "EFLXNQ" "M.V. IOR (Oiler)

(viii) At Albany - "BICLAI" (See appendix) U.S. minesweeper "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL" "STHWIT" (Oiler)

(ix) Sharks Bay area - U.S. sea-lane Tender "CHILDS"

(x) Geraldton area - "LAFIAKAI" (U.S. Auxiliary)

(xi) For submarine in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST TOOLS - PHILIP 3 SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Ten Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or B.T. area (see appendix)

Enemy Forces (See appendix)

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) (Convoy) (Troopships and 1 freight ship) departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "INDIAHAPGLI" (O.S. Cruiser)

Enemy Forces

(T) A force including possibly 1 battleship "MYE", 3 aircraft carriers ("SHOKAKU" "SUICAKU" "HAKAZO") two 8" Cruisers ("MYGKO" "HAKUHO") and at least 4 destroyers is now in the Truk-New Britain area.

Forces available in the Rahaal area to reinforce the above include three 8" cruisers and 4 possibly 5 light cruisers.

"ATAOQ" (8" cruiser) is reported en route Southern Mandates from Japan and is probably intended for the above force. There are indications that "KASRSAB" (A/C Carrier) which is probably at Kwajalein (Marshalls) will also join this force.

(ii) Aircraft Carrier "KAGA" is expected to depart Sasebo soon for sea, after extensive repairs.

(iii) "JAPAN" - 3 battleships from BstDiv 3, recently operating in the Bay of Bengal, have returned to Home Yards and are expected to regain there until the middle of the month.

(iv) Submarines - One or possibly two submarine squadrons are probably either in or proceeding to the Mandates.

3. SOUTH PACIFIC AREABritish and Allied Forces

- KD "BKAKT" ft "AMTLLIS" ft U.S. Destroyers "HELKY" & "HELM" escorting four ships from Convoy F* 2059 to 711a S.T.A. 5/5 & fifth ship with engine trouble is under separate escort of "FLUSSER".
- (ii) Task Force 9.6.2. (Seaplane Tender "TAHOICR" with accompanying aircraft) at Noumea
 - (iii) "SISE" was due at Saana from Melbourne yesterday 2/5
 - (iv) "MOMOWAI" was due at Auckland from Melbourne 1/5
 - (v) "CmDLEY" (U.S. destroyer) and "ttIGEL" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Is. to New Zealand
 - (vi) "mTDM" (U.S. Store Ship) departed Huna 1720/2
 - (vii) "HHEMTON" and "CO'CORD" (6th cruisers) due Bora Bora today 3/5
 - (viii) At Bora Bora - "BIESMOKD"
 - (ix) At Tongatabu - "POEMM", "HSOLACE"
 - (x) At Suva - "SUMMER" (LA 35 min Minediv 2: (*RAMSAY ft "MUPTOOMHKY"))
 - (xi) At Noumea - "CHEVHEIUL" "GEELOR" "FILCA" "IAB" "BISHOPDALE" w/ "KKUR"
 - (xii) At Auckland - "ASCANIA"

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- (M) "Convoy JU 4" ("MwOK" ft "DUITROOH" "WELIX" "AVISSAL") escorted by "CEITRAL" was to depart Durban 1/5 en route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide E.T.A. 1400/13. "KATOOFFLU" was to be detached and proceed independently to Fremantle via Mauritius.

2. NAVAL ISCXDWTS

- (i) Aircraft attacked shipping in Kabaul Harbour at 1720/2 scoring one direct hit on one transport and three near misses on another.

3. Eff: 3 FIIOBAM KHXT gQVB

- (i) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Islands.
- (ii) Attack on Port Moresby area
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on Darwin area possibly as a prelude to a direct attack.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against M.P. Australian air bases including Horn Island, Townsville, and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (v) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and south west Pacific Area.

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ACTIVITY - "32 H/EST" - - -

A. SOOTH WESTERN PACIFIC nREA.

1: EASTERN AUSTRALIA sector (isafc of and including Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

Aircraft Carriers

Effective
 HWHIMCY 1

Refittier or Repairing

Cruisers

YGHKTonr
 MINHEAPOLIS
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Destroyers

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 ADKLAIDE
 FIHKLP3
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 wJIPEH
 DALE
 FARRAGDT
 V35C&&A&

LE BIOMPHAST
 VENDETTA

Submarines

MOHRIS
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3. 39

S. 40

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3. 40

Dutch Submarines

K* 9

A.M.C*S

K. 12

WESfittLIA

XAKIKBLA

MAmoEA

s/p Tender

A/C tender

Submarine Tender

Gun Boat

linnegg forecs

VRIGBX

mIrVIs

TULSA

W.B. PRESTGK

New Guinea - Blsaaarok Archipelago - Salmons Area.

14 Naval Air AuthorKies Xncludfrc portion Shltose Air Squadron C*0.
 1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Tokab&aa P.B.Squadron,*Tainan
 Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane Tenders.

3 - 8* Cruisers

4 possible 5 - 5.5* Cruisers

A. NORTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA (Contd)

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (Contd)

Enos? Faroes

Guinea - Bissau Archipelago - Solomon Area (Contd)

Approximately 8 Destroyers

Approximately 50 Merchant ships including several Army Transports
(some of these may be transporting supplies between Truk & Hollandia)

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("WIEAfeA ri/JKJ * % "K&illJfa EARU*J)

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship ?

C in C itandales fleet (ith)

C in C Validates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 50 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes.

5 Motor torpedo boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived).

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA IN CSCM (West of Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

6 Cruiser
Destroyers

Effective

Tizim

Refitting or Overhaul

Bozana
BAHD&t
PAUL JCKBS
PAMSOTT
70YAGEH

S/P Teniers

CHICJS

HEROH

Destroyer Tender

PLACK HAWK

Submarine Tenders

QTV&

HOLLAXD

Submarines

OB iATBOL SSATI023

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3XI?JACK

FLCKEEL

S&r08DFISH

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REPAIRS i*N, PREPARATION AND PATROLS

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SEAL }

At Albany - tender overhaul

Sculpin)

3LADHA3 E) At Albany

SALMON)

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E*0

En route Albany to Fremantle
At Fremantle

Dutch Submarine

3. EAST INDIAN - PHILIPPINE SECTOR (North of and including Java - Timor - Dutch New Guinea)

British and Allied Forces

15 "submarines on patrol" stations in China Sea or 3.3.X. Area
(use above)

Senior forces

1 8" Cruiser

3 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor.

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

13.7.43 CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA.

13 British and Allied Forces

	Effective	Refitting or Repairing
Battleships	COLORADO (8-10 th) KAUYLiBD (85-160 th) UIS&IZ* i n i i (123-14 th) KEP IISXIC@ {123-14 th } IDAHO (123-14 th) 2FL i m o , E , (123-14 th) Sn. SYLYASIA (123-14 th)	
a/c Carriers	ENT apHISE	SARATOGA
01 Cruisers	HOKHEE IAU LAKE CUTX F. < MinAMPTcu 150IANOPOLI3 SAB ; HASCISCO fl i CENKSS i0IJIS?ILLE FESSACuLA	
6 th Cruisers	AIUMTA m 8 o n T BASHEVTL;E ST. LOUIS	SELSNA liA- uEIGW
Destroyers	40 (approx)	
Submarines	£3 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

(ruiait - SaTgsn - Benias - Japan)

units of 1st Fleet	In Boae Waters	Probably at Kure	At Sasebo Yards, Japan (daraag)
7 a/c Carriers	AKA3I scsm r.HTO RYUJO RCSBO Eo.mv {SAGA}		
6 - 6W Cruisers			
2 - 6 th Cruisers			
30 Destroyers			
30 Submarines			

Glendated Iglands

WuS-TrE-cfa"

- Possibly 1 battleship
 - 3 A/c Carriers "SKOBAXI" *ZV>IK&?i" hKimJEU* Truk-New Britain area
 - 2 - 8th Cruisers
 - 30m light cruisers
 - Some units 4th fleet
 - Possibly 22 destroyers
 - At least 12 Chartered Merchant ships
 - Special landing party Force (Marines)
 - Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
 - 1 Submarine Division
 - 7 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)
- Xarahalls
- 1 A/c carrier "KASUDA" probably at Kwajalala
 - At least 2 submarine squadrons frca 6th Fleet
 - 1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAUDI")
 - 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
 - 5 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron and 1st Air Corps, C<G. Chlicae Air Squadron
 - 6 Unidentified warships
 - Air tenders and Minesweepers
 - At least 2c Chartered Merchant ships including one Hospital Ship
 - 15 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

MOST SKRLT.

C. SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA.
British and Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
6h Cruisers	ALBANY MILWAUKEE LBKMM AOBILUB HONOLULU BOISE CONCORD TREHON FLUSSER HENLEY SSLR MASSOS M3CAXL	
Destroyers	ASCAJIA XOMOWAI TAMGM SWAH	
A.M.C's		
S/p Tender		
a/c Tender		

D. NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

P. IKBIAK GICAL - S3ALAYAW ASIU.
British and Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
Battleships	WARSPITE RSSOLDTIQBT RSVEKG RAMIL&1BS HOYAL SOVEREIGN VALIAS? >qr mipabU: X3DGKITABIE OEGBOIGS AVEROTF (Greek)	
A/c	CALEDON DHAGOI?	SUMATRA
8W Cruiser	HII7SRf8Z3E	
6h Cruisers	sm- tALD CAIES DURBAI JIR&IKOHAK OLA3CGS COLOMBO CAPEHOKK Hbscastle DAKAB DATUHILESS S OaOHSSEHSEIRVE SECTOR RABCHI CORFU OJOTUL AlIAUHIA BBESKRCK OOVEKTSY	
A.M.C's	25 (approx)	
A.A. Vessels	7 (approx)	
Destroyers		
Submarines		

Assess Forces

- 3 - 6" Cruisers
- 15 Destroyers
- 20 Submarines
- 6 in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

MUXY A??WZZU TX 221 - PACIFIC to XHPXag OC:im NAVAL ACTIVITY

4th May, 1943

1. POSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY SAVAL Pot Offs

A) SOUTH HGH# - PACIFIC ABEA

1. BASTERS AUK^SL ta 3KCTOR. (Sat of & including Thursday Ia. & Adelaide)
British and Allied Forces
TITCKT Force (consisting of V. aircraft carriers, 6 heavy cruisers, 14 destroyers and 1 oiler) is operating in the Coral Sea. *WIMIKI EAH & *SOBAIF were to join one hour after daylight today 4/5 (vide 11).
- (11) *AUSTRALIA 9WBA31F9 & *WMXP EMT proceeding SO 3tV. with *Bsk For 08 17 today 4/5 when *WEMPLE is to proceed Villa S.T.A. 6/5. *ESVABBS has returned to duty for deafle first 111 has replaced by *ALDS8 who departed Sydney 2/3. *WHIPPLE and *ALBIS are to relieve *HISX & *HBEXSY.
 - (111) *ADSLAIB arrived Sydney 0544/3/5.
 - (iv) *KAKBAHA is costing *PHASTBUTSER en route Melbourne to Tongatabu via Brisbane E.T.A. Brisbane 1500/5.
 - (v) *WESTHALXA to leave Port Jackson for exercises 6/5.
 - (vi) *TaQMP is so 3Q*urn to Sydney from working up exercises 2/5.
 - (vii) *HUCSER & *TIOHE en route Melbourne to Fremantle I.T.A. 08*1/9.
 - (viii) *VOYAOY en route Melbourne to Pheran ile - for duty *Ata Taak Force 51 I.T.A. 0830/5.
 - (ix) *ABRAM CRYHSAKH en route Adelaide to Melbourne escorting Dutch submarine # K9 and K12 E.T.A. dawn today 4/5.
 - (x) *AIREUSO en route Melbourne to Newcaafle escorted by *WHYAU E.T.A. 1600 today 4/5. Later to proceed Brisbane S.T. 15#a.au 5/5 escorted by *HOCKHAPTOR which is to depart Sydney this morning 4/5.
 - (xi) *BALLARAT & *CKSAFOGE returning to Townsville from earlier duty.
 - (1111) *BJD.FORD is to depart Sydney 1600 today 4/5 for Cape Moreton E.T.A. 0700/6.
 - (11115) *SUHSAESB en route Sydney to Geelong G.F.A. Port Phillip 2300/5. To berth at Geelong 4/5.
 - (xiv) *GOLDSTAR departed Melbourne 30/4 for Albany.
 - (kv) *4-AH departed Sydney 1717/3 to 8.V. with *KASMBLA and provide escort to Brisbane
 - (xvi) At Sydney - *5TmLXAS *ISASOQHA *MISESO
 Refitting - *CAKBSHRA *L8 TRVORM/MT *VICTORIA
 H.W.d. *PHS12208 *EDSARBS
 - (xvii) At Melbourne - *TOTEFTA9 (repairing) *IS3WOh *AMXVBS9
 - (1111) At Brisbane - *RIPFXA *TULSA
 - (xlix) For aubairnes In Eastern Sector - see appm&lx.

Enemy forces (See Appendix)

- TITMBLUIR C in Pacific reports 1/5 that 2 cruisers are expected to arrive Rabaul about 4/5.
- (ii) SOLOMOHS - Further to the report of a submarine sitting approx 147TmBtea N.3.W. of Shortland Island at 1015/2, another submarine was sighted in approx this position 18 hours later.
 - (111) TULMI AREA - there is little information concerning enemy activity reported in the vicinity of Tulagi on 2/5. One report indicates that some of the larger units departed Tulagi at 1845/5 in the direction of Cape Marsh (66 miles west of Tulagi). One vessel was observed in the vicinity of Sairo island (20 miles west of Tulagi).

2. W.53Hay Ag 3T.MIXA zm?@% (West of Thursday Ia. and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

- (i) *HBAVFRH *BUTAEAW (1.3. Beatroyore) en route Fremantle to Melbourne.
- (11) *FAUH JOH3S *PARROT & *TRISFTY departed Albany 0801/5/5.
- (111) *H.M.3 HAIIEir en route Fremantle to Melbourne K.T. 1100/4.
- (iv) *HEHOM8 *AMSBTAG departed Fremantle 1200/2 for Shark Bay.
- (v) *FIHOS arrived Adelaide 1645/2. Then Sydney.
- (vi) *DSLORAXMI departed Darwin for Thursday Ia. escorting *TBXAQI E.T.A. 1730/4.
- (vii) At Brisbane *WCSHXX *BLAOEM#K *OTDS *K.8 - (see appendix)

- (vii) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (sea appendix), S.3. Mineseopers "LAKE" 8WKI? > QQawILLH
- (ix) Sharks Bay area - T.S. Seaplane Tender B83XLS'S*
- (x) Geraldton area - "LASAKAH" (O.S. auxiliary).
- (j) For amphibious in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST KHRO3 - rHHim>g3 SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Ten submarines on patrol Stations in China Sea or S.E.I. area (see appendix).

Kenay Forsea (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) Convoy W-2870 (by t-60) (hipa am 1 freight ship) departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "SINDIAKA" OLIS* (t. SUGuiatr).

(ii) "PLATTE" & "BUOHE" to depart Pearl Barbour 0800/2 for Bouaia E.T.A. 0800/13.

Enemy Forces

(i) Force including possibly 1 battleship "HBYHIW", 3 aircraft carriers ("SHOKAJFU" "ZUIKAXI" "HTUKAKC"), two 8" Cruisers ("MOKOI" "HAOTRO") and at least 4 destroyers is now in the Truk - Men Britain area.

Forces available in the Rabaul area to reinforce the above include three 8" Cruisers and 4 possibly 5 light cruisers.

"AYAAG" (8" Cruiser) is reported en route Southern Mandates from Japan and may be intended for the above forces.

There are indications that "SKASUSA" (a/c Carrier) which is probably at Kwajalein (Marshalli) will also join this force.

- (ii) Aircraft Carrier "KA3A" has probably departed Sasebo for sea, after extensive repairs.
- (iii) "SOHYUW" (aircraft carrier) is expected to commence operations early May.
- (iv) "JAPAS" - 3 battleships from BatDiv 3, recently operating in the Bay of Bengal, have ~~xxx~~ returned to Home Yards and are expected to remain there until the middle of the month.
- (v) Submarines - One or possibly two submarine squadrons are probably either in or proceeding to the Mandates.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" & U.S. Destroyers "BENLEYK" & "HELM" escorting few ships from Convoy PW.2059 to Vila E.I.A. S/5, a 5th ship with engine trouble is under separate escort of "FLUSSER".

- (ii) Task Force 9.6.2 (Seaplane Tender: "MADIER" with accompanying aircraft) at Houses.
- (iii) "BOISE" was due at Samoa from Melbourne 2/3.
- (iv) Minediv 2 ("RAMSAT" & "MOSTOMSHY") departed Suva 1441/3.
- (v) "BUXDLEY" (U.S. Destroyer) and "XGELH" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Panning Is. to New Zealand.

(vi) "BRIDGE" (U.S. store ship) departed Suva 1720/2.

- (vii) "TKRUPCF" & "DOKOHD" (6R Cruisers) due Bora Bora 3/S.
- (viii) At Bora Bora - "RXCI" MOHDH
- (ix) At Tongatabu - "DOBBIN" "SOLACE"
- (x) At Suva - "SUMNER" "LASSEN"
- (xi) At ~~Hehuna~~ - "CRAVHEDA" "GT3KLOK" "KILXLOAKNKA" "CSITOPMALE" "WMEHKM"
- (xii) At Auckland - "A3CAHIA" "MOHOWE"

Enemy Forces

(i) C in C Pacific report 2/5 that there are indications that the enemy still establish an operational base at Ocean Island.

D) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH OCEAN PACIFIC AREA

F) LIBERIAN COMBAT

British and Allied Forces

Tramway 364 (Luffhook & B.P. HOHM & FELIX HOUSSEL) escorted by CSX TEAL departed Durban 1/5 en route Colombo to Adelaide F.i.A. 1400/18.

- (ii) BMA HOASOXW (Hospital Ship) en route Fremantle to Colombo E.F.A. 8/5.
- (iii) MABAMELLA (Hospital Ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iv) MUSAAB escorting THELMA (tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll R.T.A. 17/5.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

- (i) Attacks were made at 0340 and 0430/5 on shipping at Eabaul probable. Hits were scored on one ship and 2 direct hits on mother.
- (ii) IKDIAN AGISAI - A small silver coloured plane attacked a U.S. submarine at 0100/5 in a position approx 560 miles S.E. of Christmas Island. No damage has been reported.

3. Other Incidents

- (i) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Islands.
- (ii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on Darwin area possibly as a prelude to a direct attack.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against M.E. Australian air bases including Horn Island, Townsville, and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (v) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY REPORT - PACIFIC AND INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL

ACTIVITY - 4/5/42

A. SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. MASTERS AUSTRALIA SCTOR (East of and including Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

Aircraft Carriers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Cruisers

YORKTOWN
MINNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
ASTORIA
CHESTER
PORTLAND
CHICAGO
AUSTRALIA
HOBART
ADELAIDE

Destroyers

PHELPS
DEWEY
WORDEN

LE YRIOKPHANT
VENDETTA

DALE
PARRAGUT
MONOGHAN
MORRIS
HAMHAN
ANDISKSON
RUSSEL
HUGHES
WALKS
SIMS
PERKINS
ALDEN
EDWARDS
FORD
WHIPPLE
TUCKER
STUART
TROMP

Submarines

S* 47
S. 30
S. 42
S. 44
S. 37)
S. 39)
S. 40)
S. 41)
S. 43)
S. 45)
S* 46)

On patrol

At Brisbane

Dutch Submarines

K* 9
K* 12

At Adelaide

A.S.C.*s

WESTRALIA
KANIMELA
MANOORA

S/P Tender

W.B. PRESTON

A/C Tender

WRIGHT

Submarine Tender

GRIPPIN

Gun Boat

TULSA

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area.

14 Naval Air Authorities including portion Chitose Air Squadron C.O.
1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama P.B. Squadron,
Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane Tender.

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area (Contd.)

- 3 - 8" Cruisers
- 4 possible 5 - 5.5" Cruisers 25-15
- Approximately 8 Destroyers
- Approximately 8 merchant ships including several Army Transports
(some of these may be transporting supplies between Truk and Rabaul)
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" & "KAMIKAWA MARU")
- 1 Squadron Submarines
- 1 Sub Depot Ship ?
- C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
- C in C Mandates Air Force
- Portion 1 Gunboat Division
- Approx. 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes.
- 9 Motor torpedo boats (~~assigned but possibly not yet arrived~~),

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (West of Thursday Island and Adelaide)

British and Allied forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
6" Cruisers	MORNING	
Destroyers	BULMER BARKER PAUL JOBES PARROTT VOYAGER	
S/P Tenders	CHILDS HERON	
Destroyer Tender	BLACK HAWK	
Submarine Tenders	OTUS HOLLAND OK PATROL STATIONS	
Submarines	PORPOISE SAROO PIKE STURGEON SPEARFISH STINGRAY SKIPJACK PICKEREL SWORDFISH SAILFISH	
	REPAIRS AND PREPARING FOR PATROLS	
	SEAWOLF	At Fremantle - overhaul
	SSARAVEN	"
	SWAPPER)
	PERMIT	) At Albany - tender
	SEAL	) overhaul
	SCULPIW)
	SEADRAOON	) At Albany
	SALMON)
	SAURY	) Kn route Albany to Fremantle.
Dutch Submarine	K.8	At Fremantle.

3. FAST IN THE PHILIPPINES SECTOR (Worth of and Including Java - Timor - Dutch New Guinea)

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. Area
(see above)

Enemy Forces

- At least 1 battleship
- 1 - 8" Cruiser
- 3 - 6" Cruisers
- 12 Destroyers
- Several Seaplane Carriers
- C in C Third Fleet
- Timor
- Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

Battleships

<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or</u>	<u>Repairing</u>
COLORADO (8-16")		
MARYLAND (8-16")		
MISSISSIPPI (12-14")		
NEW MEXICO (12-14")		
IDAHO (12-14")		
TENNESSEE (12-14")		
PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")		

A/C Carriers

ENTERPRISE	SARATOGA
HORNET	
SALT LAKE CITY	
NORTHAMPTON	
INDIANAPOLIS	
SAN FRANCISCO	
VINCENNES	
LOUISVILLE	
PENSACOLA	

6" Cruisers

ATLANTA	HELENA
DETROIT	RALEIGH
NASHEVILLE	
ST. LOUIS	

Destroyers

4C (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

(Palau - Saipan - Honins - Japan)

Units of the Combined Fleet including 8 - 9 Battleships

7 A/C Carriers

AKAGI In Home Waters

SORYU "

HIRYU "

HYUJO

Probably at fire

HOSHO

EORYU

?

(XAGA)

At Sasebo Yards, Japan
(damaged).

6 - 8" Cruisers

2 - 6" Cruisers

50 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

Possibly 1 battleship

3 A/C Carriers "SHOKAKU" "ZUIKAKU" "RYUKAKU" Truk-New Britain area

2 - 8" Cruisers

Some light cruisers

Some units 4th Fleet

Possibly 22 destroyers

At least 12 Chartered Merchant ships

Special landing party Force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

Marshalls

1 A/C Carrier "RASUA" probably at Kwajalein

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMO")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama p/B Squadron
and 1st Air Corps, C.C. Chitose Air Squadron

6 Unidentified warships

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant ships including one Hospital Ship

15 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

C. Southern Pacific Area
Holland and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

RICHMOND
MILWAUKEE
L. ANDES
ACHILLES
HONOLULU
BOISE
CONCORD
TRENTON
FLUSSER
HENLEY
HELM
LAMSON
McCALL
ASCANIA
MONOWAI
TANGIER
SWAN

Destroyers

A.M.C.'s

S/P Tender
A/C Tender

D. NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

P. INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA
Sri Lank and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

RESOLUTION
REVENGE
RAMILLIBS
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIANT

A/C

8" Cruiser
6" Cruisers

FORMIDABLE
INDOMITABLE
GEORGIOS AVEROFF (Greek)
CALEDON

SUMATRA

DRAGON
ENTERPRISE
EMERALD
CERES
DURIAN
BIRMINGHAM
OLASOOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DANAE

A.M.C.'s

DAUNTLESS
WORCESTERSHIRE

A.A. Vessels

HECTOR
RANCHI
CORFU
OHITRAL
ALAUJI
KEEMSKHECK
COVENTRY

Destroyers

25 (approx)

Submarines

77 (approx)

Enemy Forces

33 6" Cruisers

116 Destroyers

240 Submarines

CC in CC Southern Expeditionary Fleet.

NAVAL APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

5th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN

1. RAFFLES AUSTRALIA SKOTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force IT (consisting of two aircraft carriers, 7 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 14 destroyers, a seaplane tender and an oiler) operating in the Coral Sea;
- (ii) "WHIP" & "ALBATROSS" en route Vila to relieve "HELM" & "BEHEMOTH".
- (iii) "KASPER" & "SWAN" escorting "KAETSUYKSH" en route Melbourne to Brisbane. T.A. 1500/5.
- (iv) "WASWALLA" to leave Fort Jackson for exercises 6/5.
- (v) "HAGAR" was to return to Sydney from working up exercises 2/5.
- (vi) "ABRAHAM" escorting Dutch submarines H9 and H12 from Adelaide to Melbourne arrived 1130/4.
- (vii) "AMBUS" escorted by "WYALLA" & "COCKAT" arrived Newcastle 1702/4/5. "ASUS" to proceed Brisbane 1500/5/5 escorted by "WOCJBA" & "DGH".
- (viii) "SALLAHAD" returning to Townsville from assorted duty F.I.A. 0100 today 4/5.
- (ix) "SOSGAREH" en route Sydney to Geelong E.T.A. Fort Phillip 2300 today 5/5. To berth at Geelong 6/5.
- (x) "J.D.FORB" to depart Sydney 1600 yesterday 4/5 for Cape Moreton, F.A. 0700/5.
- (xi) "GOLDSTAR" departed Melbourne 30/4 for Albany.
- (xii) "B3103" to sail from Adelaide 1000/8 for Sydney E.T.A. 1030/14.
- (xiii) "EXETER" escorting "EALASISBA" departed Brisbane 1400/4/3 for Townsville E.T.A. 7/5.
- (xiv) "D3L" & "ANHEM" escorting "MAE" en route Darwin to Thursday I.A. 2.0.A. 1900/4.
- (xv) H.M.S. "ARREST" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. 1700/6/5.
- (xvi) At Sydney - "ADELAXO" "WYLLA" "SAFOOHA" "WARRIGO" refitting - "KAKSIKA" "LAKIOHMA" "IOTOHIA" at S. "REDFON" "SIBWARBS"
- (xvii) At Melbourne - "VBIBTSA" (repairing) "PISCHO" "32VARTM"
- (xviii) At Brisbane - "GHI" "PHIT" "TULSA"
- (xix) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.
- (xx) WJ.3.SEDA333W to depart Sydney 5/5 for Brisbane to report for duty Enemy Forces (See Appendix) H.C. Cont. Bd. Div 57.

(i) 3. J. TAIK - BOUGAINVILLE AREA - A B-25 on reconnaissance sighted -

(a) At 1135 yesterday 4/5 a large enemy aircraft carrier and 2 heavy cruisers in a position approx 40 miles W. of Bougainville Is. proceeding on an Easterly course at fast speed. Three aircraft were observed leaving the carrier and the 2 heavy cruisers were both on the Starboard side of the carrier and zig-zagged violently on sighting the aircraft.

Cossant - The aircraft carrier was described as similar to "FUTUJI" class and would have been of the 3 new carriers known to be in the area ("YAMAKU" "IJIKANU" "SHOKA").

The heavy cruisers were described as having heavy super-structure forward like battleships and may therefore well be the 2 10,000 ton 8" Cruisers ("KYOKO" & "HAMO") which are also known to be in the area.

(b) At 1215/4/5 the same aircraft sighted 2 submarines and a submarine tender in a position approx 33 miles S.W. of the former position on an easterly course.

(ii) HABAIL - 20 to 25 transports and one probable heavy cruiser were observed in the E. portion of Rabaul Harbour at 9950 yesterday 4/5 by our aircraft. One small submarine was observed heading towards Rabaul.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "PAUL JOKES" & "PARROTT" (U.S. Destroyers) en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A.
- (ii) "HEROMK" en route Fremantle to Shark Bay.
- (iii) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" en route Melbourne to Fremantle E.S.A. 0801/9.
- (iv) "YOYAK" en route Melbourne to Fremantle for duties with Task Force 51 E.T.A. Albany 0900/5/4.
- (v) At Fremantle "PHOENIX" "BLACK HAWK" "OWS" BK:8W - (see appendix)
- (vi) At Albany - "BOLLASD" (see appendix) U. & Minesweepers "LARK" "WHI" "PPOOHWILL"
- (vii) Shark Bay area - V.3. Seaplane tender "CHILDS"
- (viii) Geraldton area - "LAMKAI" (U.S. Auxiliary)
- (ix) For submarines in Western Sector - see appendix.

3. SAGG INDIAN OCEAN SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "MADON" & "HEIKES" to depart Pearl Harbour 0800/2 for Koumea E.T.A. 0800/13.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (i) Heavy cruisers "ATAGO" & "TAKAO" which are believed to be proceeding to Truk shortly have been delayed in Japanese waters.
- (ii) Aircraft Carrier "KAGA" has departed Asab and is expected to proceed south shortly.
- (iii) Aircraft Carrier "ZOKU" is expected to commence operations early this month.
- (iv) Commander of Submarine Force is believed to have arrived at Jaluit.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "FLUSSER" & U.S. Destroyers "HEILKY" & "HELM" escorting four ships from Convoy F.3059 to Vila E.T.A. 5/5, a 5th ship with engine trouble is under separate escort of "FLUSSER".
- (ii) Convoy M.2070 (7 troopships and 1 freight ship) departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "IFLIKA" (U.S. Cruiser).
- (iii) "BOISE" was due at Suva from Melbourne 2/5.
- (iv) "RAMSAY" & "MONTMOUTH" departed Suva 1441/3.
- (v) "CRUXLEY" (U.S. Destroyer) and "HX-88" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Is. to New Zealand.
- (vi) "BHICGR" (Store Ship) departed Suva 1730/2 en route Tonga.
- (vii) "TKE" & "COACORB" (6W Cruisers) due Bora Bora 3/5.
- (viii) At Suva - "HICHOKE"
- (ix) At Suva - "DOBBIN" "S/L" "LAAS"
- (x) At Suva - "RSU" "MSW"
- (xi) At Suva - "DHEV" "SUI" "GEELOG" "WILCANHIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR"
- (xii) At Auckland - "ASC" "IAH" "MOHAWAI"

B) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

B) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy M.4 ("HOLBROOK" & "TAMBOUR" & "PELIX ROUSSEL") escorted by "MIL" departed Durban 1/5 en route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide E.T.A. Fremantle 1400/13.
- (ii) "MUI" (Hospital Ship) en route Fremantle to Colombo E.T.A. 8/5.
- (iii) "WANGAHELA" (Hospital Ship) departed Colds Bay 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iv) "JAB" escorting "IKLMA" (Tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.

NAV INCIDENTS

(4) SUMMARY - Reports of enemy submarine sightings have been received as follows -

- (a) Aircraft from Clecurry reported sighting a submarine at 1230 1/4 in a position approx 116 miles north of Karuait in the Gulf of Carpentaria - course south. The vessel was reported to have crash-dived immediately.
- (b) Arssy authorities at Had Head (5 miles south of Townsville) report sightings a submarine at 1143K/4 about one mile off Had Head. Subsequent air search proved negative.

(41) COOKTOWN AREA - Mission Station at Cape Bedford (15 miles north of Cooktown) reported a mine washed ashore 5 miles north of Cooktown. Investigations proceeding.

(411) KSE&T LOSSES - U.S. Naval authorities have announced the following sinkings by U.S. Submarines -

- (a) Enemy supply ship 66,000 tons sunk in Macassar Strait on 30/3/43
- (b) Cargo vessel and its escorting destroyer sunk in Macassar Strait on 3/4.

There are also indications that the Japanese Seaplane Carrier "MIZUHO" (9,000 tons - 14 a/e) was sunk off Bombo on 4/5 by a U.S. Submarine.

(41v) IKPIAH CCSAW RAID5B ACTIVITY - Raider distress messages were received from -

- (a) B.M.T. "WAWATEA" on 2/5 in a position approx 330 miles S.E. of Mosibasa
- (b) British Vessel "OCKAN VAMIA" on 2/5 in a position approx 330 miles E. By S. of Cape of Good Hope.

(v) GENERAL In addition to the three aircraft carriers and 5 heavy cruisers already believed operating in the IEE Britain area, there are indications that 2 heavy cruisers "AFAGO" & "TAKAO" (10,000 tons - 10-8") have departed Japan for Truk and that the 3rd Battleship Division (comprising 3 battleships) stay operate in the Truk area shortly. In addition the second Carrier Division ("BORYU" i. "HIHYU") which is at present in Japanese Home Waters may proceed to the Truk area towards the middle of the month. ~~is at present in Japanese Home Waters~~

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE next move

- (i) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomons Islands.
- (ii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against M.S. Australian air bases including Ram Island, Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (v) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South Sea Pacific area.

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DAILY APPROPRIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

5/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA EXCEPT (East of & including Thursday Is. & Adelaide)
British and Foreign Service Effective Refitting or Repairing
Aircraft Carriers

Cruiser⁰

LEXINGTON

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ASTANIA

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PORTLAS

CHICAGO

AUSTRALIA

HOBART

APISWLB

FHWUM

DREAM

WOBDEF

BALE ^

PARRAS

MOHOBIAS

MORAIS

HAKM

ANDEHS03

ROSSSL

HUGHES

WALKK

SIM

PREMIS

ALIM

EMAIMS

FORD

WHIPPLE

BULHER

BARKER

SWMT

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3.40

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K.15

WESTRALIA

KANIKSLA

MANCORA

TANGIEH

GRIFFIK

TULSA

LB TSIEMPHAKT
VESBETTA

Destroyers

Submarines

On patrol

At Brisbane

At Melbourne

Butch submarines

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W.B.PRESTON

3/p Tenders

Submarine Tender

Gunboat

Service Forces

New Guinea & Blainville Archipelago. * 300000 Area

14 Naval Air Authorities including portion of the Air Squadron, C.O.

1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama p/B Squadron,

Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted transport tenders.

Enemy Forces (Contd.)

W Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Salomon Area

Aircraft Carriers ("MOTOM" *ZUJIAKI* "YUJISIR") - Truk - New Britain (area)

F V 5" Cruisers

4 possibly 5 - 5.5" Cruisers

approx 12 destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports some of these may be transporting supplies between Truk and Uabaul)

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("HUIJIMA ASAKU" & "HAKUSATA MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship ?

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 floaters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived).

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR (West of Thursday Is. and Adelaide)

British and Allied Forces

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

6" Cruisers

PHOIKTX

Destroyers

PAUL JOKES

FARBCTV

TUCKER

VOYAGER

S/p Tenders

CHILDS

HEHON

Destroyer Tender

BLA03 HAWK

Submarine Tenders

QTUS

HOLLMCD

A/C Tender

WREXST

Swimmines

OS PATHOL STATIONS

POKPOISE

3ARDD

FMCB

3TURGI0H

3PBAP.13H

3TIKTUAT

SKIPJACK

MDWBKEL

3WONDFI3H

3AILFI3H

REPAIRS in PAKBfg FOH PATKOLS

SEAOLF

At Fremantle - Overhaul

SEAHA'VEH

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3AUKY & SALMOI

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FERMI?)

At Albany - tender overhaul

SEAL)

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At Albany

313SACTOK)

X.8

At Fremantle

Dutch submarine

3. EAST INDIAN - PHILIPPINE SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in Shina Sea or N.E.I. Area (see above)

Enemy Forces

At least 1 Battleship

1 - 8" Cruiser

3 - 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

B) Original PASITICAHBA
Whitish and Allied forces
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A/C Carriers

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

Destroyers
Submarines

Snasty Pernces

Wigan - Saipan - Sonins - Japan

Units of the Combined Fleet including 8 - 9
7 Aircraft Carriers

- 6 - 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 3 - Destroyers
- 20 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

- Feasibly 1 battleship
- Some light cruisers
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Possibly 2 destroyers
- At least 12 Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special landing party Force (Marines)
- Several Alt. Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
- Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

Marshall

- 1 A/C Carrier? *KA3TF0A probably at Kwajalein
- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 Seaplane Carrier (*KAMdfl)
- 1 n/s Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama f/b squadron
- and 1st Air Copra, C#0, Chitose Air Squadron
- 6 Unidentified Warships
- Air tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 50 Chartered Merchant ships including one Hospital Ship
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats (assigned but possibly not yet arrived)

Original PACIFIC ARSA

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruiser
6" Cruisers

Effective Refitting or Repairing

- S3T-KWC (8-16")
- L&KYL&K (8-16")
- MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
- mm MXZGQ (12-14a)
- IDAHO (12-14*)
- TUU&33SE (12-14*)
- PENNSYLVANIA (12-148)

ST?EH?RI3K SARATOGA

- HOF-NT
- SALT LAKE CITY
- mm mm PUOW
- 3a mm Gimo
- YzscismS
- mm mm LLLK
- F@ SACCLA

ATLANTA HELENA

- DETROIT
- MASHEVILLE
- m. LOUIS
- 40 (approx)
- S3 (approx)

- KA&A Koms Waters
- AFAGI At Yokosuka
- 3OHYU
- EIAJU At Sasebo
- BYJJO Probably at Base
- E03HO
- HOKYU

Effective Refitting or Repairing

- BISRAHAPOLIS
- MIC-TMM
- MWZAVKEB
- LEM BEE
- AKHxm<3
- ESQd/T?
- BOLISS

A.M.C.'s

A/C Tender
Probably 22 DestarOfeP#

B) WORTH PACIFIC A(BA

I) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AftSA

P) ISPAf OCFK - MALAYAN AREA
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Battleships

A/C Gamblers

8 W cruisers*
6" Cruisers

A.M.C.*S

A.A.Wessels

Destroyers
Submarines

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5" = 6" THTSars

16 Destroyers

50 Submarines

G in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Effective

C10MCCED
TRENION
ASCASIA
ZIONHAZ
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Refitting or Repairing

Effective

WARSITE
RR&LUTION
BWWIT
SAMILLES
SOXAL 30VKBICBI
YALIMT

Refitting or Repairing

FOR KIDABTE
INIS CITABLE
GEORGXGS AVESOFF* (Gresk)
CALEDON SUMATRA
DRAGGI

WIKBffXfEB
smKRALp
CERES
DIRBAS

BIRMINGHAM
zhknon
Lommo
CAPETOWN

HS*CASTE
DAHAS
DAUJW&BSS
WOHC38TERSXHB

HECTOR
RAHCHI
ESOBFF
OHITHAL

AIAtJMXA
HEEMSKERCK
COVENTRY
CARLISLE

25 (approx)
7 (approx)

DAILY APPRECIATION - GULF OF TONGAREVA & TONGAREVA OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

6th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

a) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

i. SOUTH AUSTRALIA SECTOR

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(i) Task Force 127 (consisting of two aircraft carriers, 7 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 14 destroyers and an oiler) is operating in the Coral Sea. Wui IT w

(ii) NWBIPFLW & HALDEK on route Vila to relieve "HSL4" & "KEBLE" (iii) "KAHIPHLA" & "SHAIT" according to "SAET3BXKEB" en route Belbo rae to Brisbane S.T.A. 0*00 today 6/5.

(iv) "WKSTRALIA" returned from exercises 1327/8.

(v) "TKOT" returned to Sydney from working up exercises 2/6.

(vi) "AFHEBS" escorted by "HTALLAT" & "BODOLWPTOBU" arrived Newcastle 1702/. "AFHEUS" to proceed Brisbane 1800 today 6/5 escorted by "HOGHAMPE" & "RWHYALLA" returned Sydney 1415/4.

(vii) "BALLAFUT" & "CK-SSSOCKI" were due at Townsville from escort duty 0100/6.

(viii) "BUHGARIKK" en route Sydney to Oaalong via Port Phillip 2300/3. To berth at Geelong today 6/5.

(ix) "BARKBR" & "BBETTER" (B3 destroyers) en route Fremantle to Melbourne I.T.A. p.is. today 6/5.

(x) "J.D.FOAJD" departed Sydney 1600/4 for Cape Moreton t- <T.&O*/42/06.

(xi) "BSROS" to sail from Adelaide 1-000/8 for Sydney K.T.A. 1050/14.

(xii) "KXBRA" according to "KABBM" departed Brisbane 1400/4 for Townsville E.T.A. 7/5.

(xiii) "F5KLGRAIBE" escorting "TSASI" arrived Thursday Is. 0830/5.

(xiv) B.M.3. "LAUNCAATOK" (A*X*C) is to be sailed from Brisbane to Sydney p.m. today 6/5. T.T.A. 1800/9.

(xv) "HKMS" en route Fremantle to Melbourne S.T.A. 11700 today 6/5. Later with "ATBSES" is to be sailed for New Zealand.

(xvi) At Sydney - "Adelaide" "WESTRALIA" "xtuofta" "tfaHge" "mom" refitting - "CAKBEKB" "LE WILWFM" "VIGTOBIA" @W.fc. 7EE.51019

(xvii) At Melbourne - "DEIFFA" (repairing), "PIKflw03 K3tCAETB" "ASKAKAM CRY" "SSEHS" "K.3" "K.IS"

(xviii) At Brisbane - "GBIFFIB8 am 13A"

(xix) "J.D. WARM" departed Sydney 1710/8 for Brisbane to report for duty to Coffield Bay 67. E.T.A. Cape Moreton B.O. tomorrow 7/5.

(xx) "WARBBAMBOOL" en route Saumlaki, Tanian & Is., F.T.A. 1600/5.

(xxi) "SEKDIOO" escorting "TAROFFA" departed Townsville 1928/5 for Port Moresby K.I.A. 1800/7/8.

(xxii) For submarines in Eastern sector - see Appendix.

: Enemy Forces (3ae Appendix)

(I) Report - Allied reconnaissance on 5/6 disclosed the following enemy sightings -

(1) At 0841/5 one submarine was sighted in a position approx 180 miles S.P. of Bain (Bougainville).

(2) At 0915/5 one battleship or heavy cruiser and one aircraft carrier in a position approx 150 miles S.W. of Buln. Two vessels were moving slowly north or have to.

(3) At 0935/5 2 vessels possibly heavy cruisers and a tender on a course of 100° in a position approx 110 miles S.E. of Buln course East.

(4) At 1130/5 one Seaplane Carrier in a position approx 230 miles west of Tulagi course 315° - speed & knots.

(5) At 1340/5 2 freighters of approx 2,000 tons, 3 island type, in a position approx 380 miles W.S.W. of Tulagi course 260° - speed 8 knots.

In addition the following sightings have been reported from other sources -

(1) At 1830/8 2 vessels showing a light proceeding off the west end of Guadalcanal Is. at high speed - course 200°.

(g) At 1400/6 one cruiser and one merchant ship 10 miles S.E. of Isabel Is. on course S.E.

SUMHAJGT - Total enemy forces sighted in the Solomon area on 4/6 and 5/5 now include -

- at least 1 aircraft carrier
- 4 cruisers including at least 3 heavy cruisers
- 1 merchant carrier
- 1 converted seaplane carrier
- 1 submarine tender
- 2 submarines
- 5 merchant ships

This total does not include the one cruiser and 20 - 25 transports reported in Rabaul at 0940/4.

Comment - It is thought likely that the alleged battleship sighted yesterday 5/5 and described as of the *Yamato* type was probably one of the heavy cruisers sighted the previous day. The only indication of a battleship possibly being in the area is that the "HIYAKI" (sister ship of "HAYAMA") was reported recently by O.S. Intelligence as possibly proceeding to the Truk - Rabaul area from E.E.I. Waters. These battleships have two funnels as do the heavy cruiser which are thought to be in the area.

The description of the aircraft carrier is the same as that sighted on 4/5 and is thought to be possibly the same carrier (probably "HEIKAKU").

The 2 heavy cruisers are probably the "WAKAS" & "HAGURO" already believed to be in the area.

The Seaplane Carrier which is described as similar in appearance to "XAC-U KALIMA" is probably the converted seaplane carrier "FUJIKAWA" which is known to have proceeded south of Rabaul on 2/8.

(ii) Allied aircraft on photographic reconnaissance made the following sightings -

- (a) Loreau - one seaplane and three small transports.
- (b) Kavieng - one 8,000 ton transport in a position approx 20 miles K.F. Kavieng course 220°.

2. WEST AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "GOLDSTAR" departed Melbourne 30/4 for Albany.
- (ii) "BEROS" en route Fremantle to Sharks Bay.
- (iii) "PAUL" en route Fremantle to Perth.
- (iv) "TUCKER" & "SWRI" en route Melbourne to Fremantle K.T.A. 0801/9.
- (v) "VOYAGER" en route Melbourne to Fremantle for duties with Task Force 51 arrived Albany 0730/5 and departed 1243/5.
- (vi) At Fremantle - "PHOSNRC" "BLACK HAWK" "SOTUS" "K.S." - (see appendix) "BHLISS MOVIG" (Oiler)
- (vii) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LAHX" "WHIPPOCKSILL"
- (viii) Sharks Bay area - 1 Seaplane Tender "CHILDS".
- (ix) Geraldton area - "LIHAEAI" (U.S. auxiliary)
- (x) For submarines in Western sector - see appendix.

3. HAST INDIGS - PHILIPPINES SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Ten submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.I. area (see appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

PARANG (Mindanao) - One aircraft carrier (possibly a converted merchant) and 7 transports are reported on 5/6 to be in Parang Harbour.

B) GULF OF TONGAREVA AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "LATTE" & "HUGHES" depart Pearl Harbour 0800/2 for Noumea K.T.A. 0800/13.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix) (a)

- (i) There are indications that the heavy cruisers "ARAGO" & "TAKAO" have departed Yokosuka for Truk accompanied probably by a destroyer division which left Sasebo for Truk.
- (b) Aircraft Carrier "TAOA" is en route Sasebo to Truk.
- (c) Aircraft Carrier "HOEYU" is possibly already en route Japan to Truk while "SHIRYU" is expected to depart for Truk in the middle of May.
- (ii) It is possible that Battleship Division 3 (3 Battleships) may operate in the Truk area soon.

C) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "LEANDER" (A.C.M.S.) & 13.3. Destroyers "HIMLEY" & "HELM" escorting four ships from Convoy FRUC69 were due at Vila 5/5. A 5th ship with engine trouble is under separate escort of "FLUSSIE".
- (ii) Convoy PW.207G (7 troopships and 1 freight ship) departed from Fremantle 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "INDIANA" (U.S. Cruise?).
- (iii) K.M. 2 ("RIS" & "HUMPHREYS") departed Suva 14/1/3.
- (iv) "CAIDLEY" (U.S. Destroyer) and "RIGEL" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Is. to New Zealand.
- (v) "BRIDKH" (U.S. Store Ship) arrived Nukualofa (Tonga Is.) 12/5/4 from Suva.
- (vi) "BENTON" & "COHOCK" (8 Cruisers) was due Bora Bora 3/5.
- (vii) At Bora Bora - "RICHBOW" & "BOBBIS"
- (viii) At Tongatabu - "BOBBIS" "SGLACE" "LASSEM"
- (ix) At Suva - "SUMNER"
- (x) At Suva - "MERCURY" "MELBURN" "MELBURN" "MELBURN" "MELBURN"
- (xi) At Auckland - "ASOANIA" "MCHOWAN"

Enemy Forces - A submarine was sighted at 1155/4/5 in a position 440 miles W.T.A. of Suva.

D) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

B) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

P) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy WAT "OCEAN" "DIEKROON" & "IX HOU3SEL" escorted by "OHHAAL" departed Ijumbas 1/5 en route Colombo Fremantle and Adelaide E.T.A. Fremantle 14/1/3.
- (ii) "MABKAW" (Hospital Ship) en route Fremantle to Colombo 14/1/3.
- (iii) "AMGM" (Hospital Ship) departed Glosabo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iv) "FUHJAB" escorting "THELMA" (Tender) en route Fremantle to A&D Atoll K.T.A. 17/5.

2. NAVAL INTELLIGENCE

1. K.I.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Consolidations and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Islands.
- (ii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on the Irian area.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against K.E. Australian air bases including Horn Island, Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
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- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

APPENDIX

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UNLHYAHPRKGITIO# - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

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1) SSmtSi < ARKK PACIKm AAKKA

11. BASTES AACSTHAJA < OCT&R
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Effective

Refitting or Repairing

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YORKFOWS

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Energy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

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1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F/B Squadron,

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Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area (Contd)

- Possibly 1 Battleship
- 3 aircraft carrier
- 5 - 8 Cruisers
- 4 possibly 5 - 5.5 Cruisers
- 12 destroyers
- 25 - 30 Merchant ships including several Army Transports
- 3 Converted Seaplane Tenders "PPJJIRATIA MARH" "RIMXKAWA WAHU" "KERJO MAHU"
- 1 Squadron "floatplanes"
- 1 Sub Depot
- C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
- C in C Mandates Air Force
- Portion 1 Gunboat Division
- Approx 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 16 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes
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2. WESTERS AUSTRALIA SECTOR

Fellisk and Killed Forces

- 6# Cruisers
- Destroyers

Effective

- FBWITZ
- PAUL JOSFIS
- PARROTT
- TJCKEB
- VOYAGER
- CHILDS
- HERST
- BLAOK JUNK
- OTUS
- HOLLAD
- VRIGET

Refitting or Repairing

S/P Tenders

- Destroyer Tender
- Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Submarines

OH PATROL STATIONS

- HOLLAD
- SAKOO
- FXKE
- STUMSKCK
- 3PSAKFI3H
- SKI?JACK
- ?IQKK EL
- SAILFI3S
- 3ALMOK

REPAIRS & PRBMHIKG EOH PATROLS

- At Fremantle - overhaul
- SAUKX " "
- STINGRAY " "
- 3?OREFISH " "
- SNAPPER)
- SEAL) At Albany - tender overhaul
- SCELPUI)
- At Albany
- SEALOLF Bn route Albany
- K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch submarine

3. EAST IRBSXft - PGIIPPIMES SKCSOK

WIBSa and KILIS Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China sea or I.L.E.X. in Pea (see above)

Enemy Forces

- 1 battleship
- 1 - 8" Cruiser
- 3 - 6" Cruisers
- 12 Titatliwji
- Several Seaplane Carriers
- 0 in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approx 12 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

A.S.H.C. 11

A/C Tender
Probably 1E Destroyers

Effective
ASCAKA
MONOWA
SR41

Refitting or Repairing

D) NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

F) PACIFIC OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
Saudi Arabia

A/G Carriers

8* Cruisers
8B Cruisers

Effective
WARPTER

Refitting or Repairing

HSSOLUTION
HBVJGSI
KAMILLES
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIANT
FGEKISABLE
XVPUKKTABLES
GBOECIOS AVKHOFF (Greek)
CALISKOS X5MATIA
DKAGON
ENTEFRISE
EMSEALD
CERES
DUSB&f
BUNWHCEUI
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DAKAS
DAMITISS
WOSSESRASHIHE
HECTOR
KASCHI
CORFU
GITH/HAL
ALAUHA
JB&3KBRGK
CWS.SMY
CARLISLE
2B (approx)
7 (approx)

A.M.C. 12

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

Interforce
3 - 6* Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines

Cin C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APHELEXATION - PACIFIC * IK&IA* GCfAa KaVal & e?IVXgy

7th May, 1942

A) SOUTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

U. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied forces:

(by fleet to 1st Div 7/5/42) In two aircraft carriers, 7 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 14 destroyers and an oiler) is operating in the Coral Sea.

- (li) "WHIPPLE" & "ALDBN" were due Vila 6/5 to relieve "HELM" & "BEJCLEY".
- (lii) "KANIMBLA" S. "SWAN" escorting "MAETSUYKSR" arrived Brisbane 1230/6. "SWAN" later to proceed to Townsville E.T.A. 0330/8.
- (liii) "BARKKR" & "BUUMER" arrived Melbourne 1801/6. To depart 0900 today 7/5 for Sydney E.T.A. 9/d.
- (liv) "J.D. FORD" arrived Brisbane 1230/5.
- (lv) "1st Div" ARMB departed Sydney 1710/5 for Brisbane to report for duty to Comdesdiv 57. E.T.A. Cape Koraton 1600 today 7/6.
- (lvi) "ATREUS" escorted by s "FAMA" & "KOCXSA" arrived Newcastle 1708/4. "ATREUS" to proceed Brisbane 1600 M 0 6/5 escorted by "ROCKWPT" & "WHXATCA" departed Sydney 0930/6 Melbourne E.T.A. 1200/8.
- (lvii) "BAIXAHAI" arrived Townsville 2031/5. To escort "KAR321C" to Port Moresby E.T.A. 7/8.
- (lviii) "BUHOARE2" arrived Geelong 1805/6.
- (lix) "BENDIGO" escorting "TAROOHA" en route Townsville to Port Moresby S.T.A. 1800 today 7/5.
- (lx) "COLAC" fr "GESDWOCK" escorting "JAMES OTIS" arrived Port Moresby 0345/6. "COLAC" to H.V. with "TAHUMTA" & "BEHDXOO" 0700 today 7/5; later to escort "TAH008A" from Peafe Moresby during daylight hours ss day of departure, and then proceed Townsville.
- (lxli) "ABIAHAI" GRIS5ENw escorting K9 and K12 to depart Melbourne 8/5 R.T.A. Sydney 11/5.
- (lxlii) "EEROS" to sail from Adelaide 1000/8 for Sydney E.T.A. 1030/4.
- (lxliii) "BUBRA" escorting "SAMFLAH" en route Brisbane to Townsville 11/5 today 7/5.
- (lxliiii) "DEOHAIUI" escorting email vessels departed Zhuraday Island for Dawu 1320/6 E.T.A. 1930/10.
- (lxliiiii) "LATHESTON" (A.M.3.) was so be sailed from Brisbane to Sydney p.m. b/h I.T.A. 0800/9.
- (lxliiiiii) "ALSEY" arrived Melbourne 0801/s. Later with "ATREUS" is to be sailed for Sew Zealand.
- (lxliiiiii) "AGTBOOL" en route Saumlaki, Taniabar Is., E.T.A. 1600/5.
- (lxliiiiii) At Sydney - "STBEUM" @SESTRALIA* "M300RA" "TROMP" "ARREQO" refitting - "CANBERRA" nlg TRIOMPRAHT* "VICTORIA" "W.S. FRE" grtg*
- (lxliiiiii) At Melbourne - "VgSEUTTFi" (repairing) "BARKER" "HUMER" " ?IM0" "STUART" "ABRAHAM" "SJKSSKSS" "K*9" "L*12s" "ALSEY"
- (lxliiiiii) At Brisbane - "J.S.PORD" "GRIFFIS" "T*1-SAM"
- (lxliiiiii) For substitutes in Cetera Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (1) RABAU - A reconnaissance aircraft observed at 0835/6 7 ships "edstfired in Rabau Harbour" in vessel was on fire and another leaving the harbour.
- (ii) SOLOMONS - NEW GUINEA AREA - Enemy forces sighted in the Solomons - Few Guinea area by air reconnaissance on 6/5 indicate a total force including:
 - 1 possibly 1 aircraft carriers
 - 8 Cruisers
 - 18 destroyers or gunboats
 - 2 submarines
 - 1 submarine tender
 - 17 or 18 merchant ships or IS merchant ships
 - 1 converted seaplane carrier

Preliminary reports from our aircraft detailed to attack enemy shipping in the vicinity of Woodlark Island 7/5 indicate the

following enemy concentrations -

- (a) At 0643/7 15 miles north of Milne Island - one aircraft carrier, 10 transports, 16 warships # course 285°.
- (b) At 0700/7 10 miles S.W. of Milne Island 4 destroyers - 3 large transports - course 285°.

(111) ONHSRS&i - There are indications that Carrier Division 5 (*ZetX&W* JT^SKaktj^r) intend carrying out heavy raids against the Moresby area today 7/5 and tomorrow 6/5 from the S5^.

2. MILNE ISLAND ABSORPTION 3KCTOH

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "DUNKER" & "U-KI-T" en route Melbourne to Fremantle E.T.A. 0801/9.
- (ii) "TOFAOER" en route Melbourne to Fremantle for duties with Task Force 51 arrived Albany 0649/6.
- (iii) "COLIDATAKH" was due Albany from Melbourne yesterday 6/5.
- (iv) "TMKITX" en route Albany to Abadan.
- (v) "TOOWOOMBAB" departed Fremantle for Adelaide 1410/6 F.T.A. 1200A2.
- (vi) "CHILDS" (U.S. Seaplane Tender) en route Sharks Bay to Fremantle.
- (vii) At Fremantle - "MOMEX" *?&h, "JOWIS" "PAKKOIT" "BLACK HAWK" "HTVS" "K.B.g" - (see appendix) SBRLIQ BHOVIGM (Oiler)
- (viii) At Albany - "KOUAHE" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (ix) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "SEBOH"
- (x) Geraldton area - "LAKKAI" (U.S. Auxiliary)
- (xi) For SJBtsadmet in Western Sector < see appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - MILNE ISLANDS 3SCTGS

British and Allied Forces

Two submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see Appendix).

Enemy Forces (see Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

Enemy Forces

There are indications that the heavy cruisers "TAKAO" & "ATAGO" and one destroyer division, aircraft carrier "AXAOA" and possibly "OOEIJ" are at present en route Truk from Japan.

In addition there are indications the aircraft carrier SHXKMM and Battleship Division 3 (3 battleships) may also proceed to the Truk area shortly.

The C in C Second Fleet is believed to be on board "TAKAO".

Cosaac - C in C Second Fleet has been in control of all major southward Japanese naval operations to date and it would seem likely that he is proceeding south to control present operations from the Truk - Rabaul area.

G) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" & U.S. Destroyers "ngHUnr" & "HELM" escorting four ships from Convoy #2059 were due at Vila 9/5. A 5th ship with engine trouble is under separate escort of MFL3SEHt.
- (ii) Convoy Ff. 8080 (7 troopships and 1 freight ship) departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "XIXAI" "APOLX3"
- (iii) Kinedly 2 ("SHAMSAY" & "MOJ" "PGOa" "SriY") departed Suva 3/5
- (iv) "JELK" "Ky" (U.S. Destroyer) and "Basa" "E" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Island to New Zealand.
- (v) "PXARES" & "HUAHSS" Steer to depart Pearl Harbour 2/5 for Saani i.T.A. 0800/13.
- (vi) "TSBKTOir" & "COSFECHS" were due Bora Bora 3/5.
- (vii) At Bora Bora - "RICHMOND"
- (viii) At Tongatabu - "3i)B8iS" "ASOLACW" "LAJ3EHH" "WRIDCMS"
- (ix) At Suva - "BURNER"
- (x) At Ffoume - "CHW" "RETXfi" "3KSLOK" "IZ" "CAHHA" "BI3HtU" "MLE" "MftnKUR"
- (xi) At Auckland - "ASGAMA" "W5" "IOHOWA" "10"

Enemy Forces (see Appendix)

A submarine was reported in Sumea area today 7/5 (see Naval Incidents)

WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

P) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (T) Convoy SU4 ("Hafslund" "DUNHOON" & "FELIX ROUSSEL") escorted by "CHITRAL" departed Durban 1/5 en route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide E.T.A. Fremantle 14 00/13*.
- (11) "MAUNGAFTUI" (Hospital Ship) en route Fremantle to Colombo E.T.A. 8/5*.
- (111) "WANGAHELLA" (Hospital Ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iv) "PUNJAB" escorting "TKELMAH" (tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

- (i) NEW CALDONIA & S.S. "CHLOE" (Greek - 4,641 tons) reported being attacked by a submarine 20 miles west of Bulari Passage (Goumea) at 0700 today 7/5. No further details are yet available*.
- (11) SOLOMONS - OISW GUINEA AREA -
- (a) 3 aircraft attacked an aircraft carrier and cruisers S.W. of Bougainville Is. at 0826/6*. One very near miss (about 10 feet) was made on a light cruiser and black smoke was observed rising from the side*. Bombs fell 70 to 150 feet from other vessels, including the carrier, but no damage was observed.
- (b) A large enemy transport was attacked without effect by one aircraft at 1745/6 near Misizaa Is.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Consolidation and farther occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Islands.
- (11) Attack on Port Moresby area*.
- (111) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Island, Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (v) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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to

DAILY APPRECIATION OF PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

7/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC OCEAN AREA

1. SAFEBK AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carrier

Cominers

Destroyers

Submarine

Butch surface

A. M. C. 's

S/B Tenders
Submarine Tender
Gunboat

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago & Solomons Area

14 Naval Air Units including positions of 8th Air Squadron, & G.
1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F/B Squadron,
Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted seaplane Tenders

Effective

LEXINGTON

TOKYOSSR

SIHNEAMHIS

OH&RASS

AOTQHA

CHESTER

FORTUMD

CHICAGO

AUSTRALIA

HOBART

ADELAIDE

PHELPS

USSRY

SFORUM

DALE

AREA GOT

MOSOGKAS

#QSHXS

HASKAN

AMDEESON

HJUSKL

HJYJES

WALSE

SIMS

WALTHE

ALDEN

HOARDS

FORD

TOI'PLE

BULKER

BARKER

STHAAT

TRGHP

3.47

5.38

5.42

5.44

3.37

5.40

3.41

5.43

5.43

5.46

K.9

E.18

W&BUL XA

KANIKBLA

MAHOORA

TASOIER

GKIFFIN

TULSA

Refitting or Repairing

IE TRIUMPHANT

VSIETTA

Oil Patrol

At Brisbane

At Melbourne

W.B. FRESTOK

Unit Por 088

Guinea - Blasaark Archipelago - Solomons Area (Coast)

possibly 1 Battleship P'HIYETI)

5 Aircraft carriers ("SEBRAK" "ZUIKAKU" "RYUKAKU")

5 - 8 Cruisers

4 possibly 5 - 5.59 Cruisers

approx 12 destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army transports

3 converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" "KAMIKAWA MARU" "KEMO MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C (Sardates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat division

Approx 98 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes*

9 Motor Torpedo Boats.

2* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

1 Cruiser

Destroyers

S/? Tenders

Destroyer Tender

Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Submarines

Effective

PHOENIX

F.MIL James

PARROTT

TUGESR

VOYAGER

CHILDS

HAROW

BLACK MARK

OTUS

HOLLAND

WRIGHT

ON PATROL STATIONS

PHOENIX

SAKGO

PISE

STURGEON

SPBA3FISH

SKI? JAGS

PICKEREL

3ATLFISH

SALMON

REPAIRS & PREPARING FOR PATROLS

SEARAVEN At Fremantle - overhaul

SAURY "

STINGRAY "

SWORDFISH

SHAPPER)

SEAL) At Albany - tender overhaul

SCULPIN)

SEADLAGON At Albany

SEAWOLF En route Albany

K.8 At Fremantle

Butch submarine

3* EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.8.1. Area (see above)

Line Forces

possibly 1 Battleship

1 - 8" Cruiser

3 - 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats*

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
MFSI and HTPas*

A/c Carriers

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

Destroyers
 Submarines

Sagsty Poress

Palau - Saipan - @mina - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 8 - 9 battleships (3 @n route Truk)
 7 aircraft carriers

6 - 8" Cruisers (2 en route Truk)
 2 - @* Cruiser@
 30 Destroyers
 30 Subaarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

BoSeTuHTa 4th Fleet

Possibly 8 destroyers

At least 12 Chartered Merchant Ships

Special landing party force (Marines)

Several Air squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
 Yokohama Flying Boat Squadpen

1 Submarine Division
 7 Motor Torpeao Boats

Marshalls

1 A/B Carrier "KASCOk" p* obabl? at Kwajalein
 at least 2 submarine squadrons fro@ 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMCI")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron
 aid 1st Air Corps, C.C. Chitose Air SquadPen

8 Unidentified Wapahips
 Air tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 chartered merchant ships including one Hospital ship
 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
 Cosasantler Subtaarine Force

Effective	Refitting or Repairing
COLORADO (8-16H)	
MARYLAND (8-16h)	
MISSISSIPPI (12-M *)	
EV MEXICO (12-14")	
IDAHO (12-14")	
TENNESSEE (12-14")	
PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	
ENDEKIPHI 3E	SARATOGA
HORNET	
HOHPHAMPTON	
FRAN CISCO	
VIKCEKHES	
LOUISVILLE	
HERSACOLA	
ATLANTA	HELENA
DETROIT	RALEIGH
ST. LOUIS	
450 (approx)	
23 (approx)	

KAGA	En route Truk
SOBIU	Possibly en route Truk
HIRYU	
AKAOI	At Yokosuka
HYUJG	Probably at Kure
KOSHO	

C) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

8" Cruisers
 5" Cruisers

Effective	Refitting or Repairing
TOTIANA OILS	
RICWIND	
MILWAUKEE	
LSSJDER "	?
ACHILLES	
HONOLULU	
BOISE	
COKCGHD	
TRENTON	

A.M.C. 1st

A/C fender
Probably 12 1teassbyars

Effectives
USCAMA
MOHOWAI
^J8E

Refueling or Repairing

D) BOOTH PACIFIC Agga

E) 3QTO: BA 3TM PACIFIC AKKA

*) IMSIAM QCEAK - MALAYAM AHEA
BrTsiak fnc Alligd fforca
laAttitEElpis *

A/C Carriers

Sf Orular
6W Cruisers

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ROYAL @YBBHOK
VALIAH7
PORMSPJHK
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CALEM
MACKS
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EMERALD
CEKia
DURBAN
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DASAS.
SAULHUSSS
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Hiscfisa
HARCHI
COKOT
CHITSAL
ALAUHIA
HESMSKSSCK
COVBHTKX
CARLISLE
25 (approx)
7 (approx)

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A.M.C. 2nd

A*A* Yeasels

postroyers

Enclly Forces
F 5 .P** dreskssrs
16 Destroyera
20 3ktbmarlinee
C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

- (i) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" en route Melbourne to Fremantle B.T.A. 801/9.
- (ii) "VOYAGER" at Albany awaiting orders.
- (iii) "GOLDSTAR" was due Albany from Melbourne 6/5.
- (iv) "TOOWOOMBA" en route Fremantle to Adelaide E.T.A. 1200/12.
- (v) "CHILDS" (U.S.S/P Tender) en route Sharks Bay to Fremantle.
- (vi) "CHILMANTLE" - "PHOENIX" "PAUL JONES" "PARROTT" "BCKMANK" "OTUS" At Fremantle - "K.S" (see appendix) "ERLIMO BBOVIO" (011 r)
- (vii) At Albany - "W.H. HOLD" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers
- (viii) At Albany "SHIPPOCKWILL"
- (ix) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON"
- (x) Geraldton area - "LANARAI" (U.S. Auxiliary)
- (xi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINE SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see Appendix).
Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

B) British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

Enemy Forces

There are indications that the heavy cruisers "TAKAO" & "ATAGO" and one destroyer division, aircraft carrier "KAGA" and possibly "SOYO" are at present en route from Japan. In addition there are indications that the aircraft carrier "HIUW" and Battleship Division 5 (3 battleships) may also proceed to the Truk area shortly. The main command is believed to be on board "TAKAO".

Comment - C in C Second Fleet has been in control of all major southward Japanese naval operations to date and it would seem likely that he is proceeding south to control present operations from the Truk - Kaula area.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" & U.S. Destroyers "HENLEY" & "HELM" escorting ships from Convoy PW.2059 were due at Vila Sfe. A 5th ship with engine trouble in under separate escort of "FLUSSER".
- (ii) "WHITPLE" & "ALDEN" were due Vila 6/5 to relieve "HENLEY" & "HELM"
- (iii) Convoy PW.2070 (7 troopships and 1 freight ship) departed San Francisco 22/4 for Australia, escorted by "INDIANAPOLIS".
- (iv) "ORIBLET" (H.S.D. strcyer) and "KIWI" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Is. to New Zealand.
- (v) "LASSSEN" & "SUMNER" were to depart Pearl Harbour 2/5 for Noumea. E.T.A. 0800/13.
- (vi) "FRBNT" & "COOM" were due Vila 3/5.
- (vii) "RIDGE" departed Nukualofa 5/5.
- (viii) At Bora Bora - "RICHIKOTO" "LASSSEN".
- (ix) At Tongatapu - "DOBBIN"
- (x) At Suva - "SUMNER"
- (xi) At Noumea - "GENKIN" "WILCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR"
- (xii) At Auckland - "ASCANIA" "MONOWAI".
- (xiii) "SVEVENS" departed Noumea for Auckland 050/7.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

A submarine was operating in the Noumea area (see Naval Incidents).

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy 4 "DULITROO" & "FELIX ROUSSEL" • 8CO*f@dJiJ
"CHITRAL" departed Durban 15 on route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide. F.T.A. Fremantle 1400/13.

- (M) "MAUHCANUI" (Hospital Ship) en route Fremantle to Colombo E.T.A. today 8/5.
- (i) "VAHOANELLA" (Hospital Ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iv) "PUHJAB" escorting "THELMA" (tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.
- (v) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

(1) HIS CALEDONIA - Further to the report of a submarine attack on W.Y. "Chitof" yesterday 7/5 it is now reported that the vessel was sunk at 0740 in a position 30 miles south of Amedee - S.W. extremity of New Caledonia.

It is reported that "JOHN ADAM" (U.S.) was attacked by a submarine approx 120 miles S.W. of Amedee Lighthouse on 5/5 and probably sunk.

(ii) U.S. Oiler "NEOSHO" reported at 1500/7 that she had been heavily bombed and was sinking approx 600 miles S.E. of Rockhampton.

(iii) LOTJISIADE ARCHIPLAGO - Allied aircraft attacked enemy shipping in the Misima - Deboyne Is. area yesterday 7/5, three times, with the following results - a direct hit on one merchant vessel, a hit or near miss on another, near misses on a third and fourth and a probable near miss on a fifth.

A.A. Fire was encountered in all three attacks but all our aircraft returned.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (ii) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Islands.
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on the New Guinea area.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against H.M. Australian air bases including Horn Island, Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (v) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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to

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

8/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied forces
Aircraft Carriers

Cruisers

Effective

~~ME. H. M. M. M.~~

YORKTOWS
JANNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
ASTORIA
CHESTER
PORTLAND
CHICAGO
AUSTRALIA
HOBART

Refitting or Repairing

Destroyers

ADELAIDE
PHELPS
DEWEY
WORDEN
DALE
PAHRAGUT
MONOGHAN
MORRIS
HAMMAH
ANDERSON
RUSSEL
HUGHES
WALKE
SIMS
PERKINS
EDWARDS
PORD
BULKER
BARKER
STUART
TRO&P

LE TRIOMPHANT
VENDETTA

Submarines

S.47 }
S.38 } On Patrol
S.42 }
S.44 }
S.37)
S.40)
S.41) At Brisbane
S.43)
S.45)
S.46)

Dutch submarines

K.9)
K.12) At Melbourne

A.M.C.'S

WESTRALIA
KANIMBLA
MAMOORA

S/P Tenders

TANGIER
GRIPPIN
TULSA

W.B.PRESTON

Submarine Tender
Gunboat

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

14 ~~M.A.V.I.I.~~ Air Authorities including portion CHITOSE Air Squadron, C.O.
1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F/B Squadron,
Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane Tenders.

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area (Contd.)

Possibly 1 Battleship (HKIYEI W)

Aircraft carriers ("SHOKAKU" "ZUIKAKU" "RYOKAKU" "KASUGA")

5 - 8" Cruisers

4 possibly 5 - 5.5" Cruisers

approx 15 destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

3 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" "KAMIKAWA MARU" "KENJO MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruiser

Destroyers

S/P Tenders

Destroyer Tender

Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Submarines

Effective

PB06SIX
PAUL JOKES
PARROTT
TUCKER
VQYA3KR
CHILDS
HERON
BLACK HAWK
GTU3
HOLLAND
WRIGHT

Befitting or Repairing

On Patrol Stations

FWP01SE-----
SARGO
PIKE
STURGEON
3PEARFISE
SKIPJACK
PICKEREL
SAILFISH
SAUOH

Repairs & Preparing for Patrols

3EAHAVEN At Fremantle - overhaul
SAURY " "
STINGRAY H "
SWORDFISH " "
SNAPPER)
SEAL) At Albany - tender
SCULPIN) overhaul
3EADRAGON At Albany
SEAWOLF En route Albany
K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch submarines

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

Possibly 1 battleship

1 - 8" Cruiser

3 - 6.5" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
COLGEM (8-16")	
MARYLAND (8-16")	
MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
NEW MEXICO (12-14")	
IDAHO (12-14")	
TENNESSEE (12-14")	
PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	

Aircraft Carriers

ENTERPRISE SARATOGA
HORNET

8" Cruisers

NORTHAMPTON
SAN FRANCISCO
VINCENNES
LOUISVILLE
PENSACOLA

6" Cruisers

ATLANTA HELENA
DETROIT RALEIGH
NASHEVILLE

Destroyers

40 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 8 - 9 battleships (3 en route Truk)

7 aircraft carriers

KAOA	En route Truk
SORYU)	Possibly en route Truk
HIRYU)	
AKAGI	At Yokosuka
KYUJO	Probably at Kure
HOSHO	
KORYU	

6 --88" Cruisers (2 en route Truk)

2 --66" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

Some units 4th Fleet

Possibly 8 destroyers

At least 12 Chartered Merchant Ships

Special landing party force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion

Yokohama Plying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMO")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron and Ijima 1st Air Corps, C.Q. Chitose Air Squadron

6 Unidentified Warships

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital Ship

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHEASTERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers

<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
INDIANAPOLIS	
RICHMOND	
MILWAUKEE	
LEAK	
ACHERLES	
HONOLULU	
BOISE	
CONCORD	
TRENTON	

A.M.C. *9

C Tender
probably 14 Destroyers

Effective
ASCANIA
MONOWAI
SWAN

Refitting or Repairing

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
Battleships

Effective
WARSPITE
RESOLUTION
REVENGE
RAMILLES
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIANT

Refitting or Repairing

Aircraft Carriers

OK Cruiser
6* Cruisers

FORMIDABLE
INDOMITABLE
GEORGIOS AVEROFF (Greek)
CALEDON SUMATRA
DRAGON
ENTERPRISE
EMERALD
CERES
DURBAN
BIRMINGHAM
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DANAE

A.L.A.O. Cs

DAUNTLESS
WORCESTERSHIRE
HECTOR
RANCHI
CORFU
CHITRAL
ALAUNIA
HEEMSEERCK
COVENTRY
CARLISLE

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Enemy Forces
S - 6" Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines
C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

9th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERS PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Forces 17 and 44 (two aircraft carriers, 7 heavy cruisers, 11 light cruisers, 13 destroyers) are operating in the Coral Sea*

(ii) "KANIKBA" "J.D.FORD" & "J.D.EDWARDS" escorting 2 merchant vessels are to depart Brisbane today 9/5 for Tongatabu*.

(iii) "BARKER" & "BULMER" arrived Sydney from Melbourne 154C/8. To depart Sydney today 9/5 for R.Y* with Convoy PW.2070 (8 ships escorted by "INDIANAPOLIS") at 1400/10. With "STUART" to escort 6 ships from this convoy to Adelaide*.

(iv) "STUAHT" to R.Y* with Convoy PW.2070 at 1330/11 and escort portion of that convoy to Adelaide.

(v) "ARUNTA" departed Sydney for Melbourne 0959/8 K.T.A. 1400 today 9/4*.

(vi) "ABRAHAM CRYSTEN" departed Melbourne 1025/8 for Sydney escorting K.9 and K.12 E.T.A. 0800/11.

(vii) "ATHEUS" escorted by "ROCKHAKPTON" arrived Brisbane from Newcastle 2000/8.

(viii) "HEROS" to sail from Adelaide 1100 today 9/5 for Sydney E.T.A. 1050/14.

(ix) "GBHALWOIF" (A.M.S) departed Sydney 1425/8 for Melbourne.

(x) "BUHGAREE" is to sail from Melbourne a.m. today 9/5 for Houmea. To R.V. with "MANOORA" & "GILDURA" (from Sydney) south of Oabo Island*.

(xi) "BENDIGO" & "CGLAC" escorting "TAROONA" arrived Port Moresby 1745/7.

(xii) "SWA" with "KYBRA" escorting "KARUIBA" is at Old Harbour (Whitsunday Ia.*) awaiting further orders*.

(xiii) "DELORAJNK" escorting small vessels en route Thursday Island to Darwin E.T.A. 1930/10*.

(xiv) "LAUNCESTON" (A.H.S.) en route Brisbane to Sydney 3.T.A. 0800 today 9/4*.

(xv) "WHYALLA" arrived Melbourne from Sydney 1551/8.

(xvi) At Sydney - "ADELAIDE" "WKSTRALIA" "MANOORA" "TROMP" "WARREGO" Refitting - "CANBERRA" "LE TRIOMPHANT" "VICTORIA" "W.B. PRESTON"

(xvii) At Melbourne - "VENDETTA" (repairing) "PINGWO" "STUAHT" "ALSEY"

(xviii) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIN" "TULSA"

(xix) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(I) Allied aircraft sighted on 8/5 the following enemy shipping -
Lae - One tanker observed entering Lae Harbour at 1230/8.

Lufofiade Archipelago -

(a) Approx 300 miles east of Sslaasua 17 ships including at least 1 cruiser, 3 destroyers between 0930 and 1620/8.

(b) 1130 - 1227/8 approx 200 miles ENE of Samarai - one seaplane tender or freighter and one tanker.

(c) At 1140/8 approx 215 miles NE of Samarai - 1 destroyer.

(d) At 1205/8 approx 270 miles N.E. of Samarai - 1 light cruiser, 4 or 5 destroyers.

(e) Approx 77 miles North of Woodlark Is. at 1305 - 2 surface tenders or minelayers*.

Total - 28 or 29 ships including 2 light cruisers, 8 or 9 destroyers, 2 tankers, 2 seaplane tenders or minelayers, 13 transports.

(II) GENERAL - Total enemy forces in the Solomons - New Guinea area are believed to include -

3 aircraft carriers

7 cruisers

13 destroyers

3 seaplane carriers (converted)

29 merchant ships merchant ships

(See Naval Incidents)

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) WUCEISHW & "WRIGHT" en route Melbourne to Fremantle I.T.A. 0801 today 9/5.
- (ii) "VOYAGER" at Albany awaiting orders.
- (iii) "TOC MOOMBA" en route Fremantle to Adelaide E.T.A. 1200/12. Arrived Albany 0800/8 to carry out minor engine room repairs.
- (iv) "CHILDS" (U.S. Seaplane Tender) en route Sharks Bay to Fremantle.
- (v) At Fremantle - "PHOENIX" "PAW, JOSES" "PARROTT" "BLACK HAWK" "OTUS" "K.8" - (see appendix) "KHLING BROVIG" (Oiler)
- (vi) At Albany - "VOYAGEK" "HOLLAND" (see appendix) "TOOSOOMBA" "GOLDSTAR" U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "HIPPOORWILL"
- (vii) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON"
- (viii) Geraldton area - "LANAKAI" (U.S. auxiliary)
- (ix) For submarines in Western Sector - see appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Terraubisariners on patrol stations in China Sea or N.F.I. area (see Appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

Enemy Forces

Where is no confirmation that the two additional heavy cruisers "TAKAO" & "ATAOQ" with one Destroyer Division and aircraft carrier "KAGA" and possibly "SORYU" have arrived in the Truk area. If previous intelligence is correct however, it is considered likely that this force would by now have reached the Truk area.

There is no further intelligence concerning the departure of the 3rd Battleship Division and the aircraft carrier "H2HYU" which are also expected to arrive in the Truk area shortly.

C) SOOTHKKN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "GRIDLEY" (U.S. Destroyer) and "RIGEL" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Is. to New Zealand.
- (ii) "PLATTE" & "HUGHES" were to depart Pearl Harbour 2/5 for Noumea K.T.A. 0800/13.
- (iii) "BRIDGE" departed Nukualofa 5/5.
- (iv) At Bora Bora - "RICHMOND" "TRENTON" "CONCORD"
- (v) At Tongatabu - "DOBBIN" "SOLACE" "LASSEN"
- (vi) At Suva - "SUMNER"
- (vii) Noumea area - "HENLEY" "HELM" "GEELONG" "WILCUMIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR"
- (viii) At Auckland - "ASCANIA" "MONOWAI"
- (ix) At Vila - "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" "HIPPLK" "ALDKN" "FLUSSETT"
- (x) "CHEVREUIL" en route Noumea to Auckland E.T.A. 10/5.

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy SU4 ("HOLBROOK" "DUNTROON" & "FELIX ROUSSEL") escorted by "CHITRAL" departed urban 1/5 en route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide E.T.A. Fremantle 1400/13.
- (ii) "VANCANELLA" (Hospital ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iii) "PUNJAB" escorting "THELMA" (tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.
- (iv) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

Western Pacific Area

- (i) 1 enemy aircraft carrier (probably "RYUKAKU" I) and one heavy or light cruiser were destroyed by allied naval aircraft off Misaki Island on 7/5. Later another enemy aircraft carrier (probably "SHOKAKU" or "ZUIKAKU") received at least four torpedo hits, was hit by three 1000-lb bombs and was observed burning fiercely. 23 enemy planes, as well as those on the carrier which was sunk were destroyed.

(ii) Allied aircraft attacked an enemy convoy approx 3700 miles east of Salamaua at 1620/8, scoring one very near miss off the stern of a cruiser.

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(iii) Enemy losses reported in addition to aircraft carriers include -

- 1 heavy and 1 light cruiser
- 2 destroyers
- 4 gunboats
- 1 supply ship
- 1 seaplane tender
- Badly damaged 1 heavy cruiser
- 1 light cruiser
- 1 cargo vessel

(ix) Admiralty reports that 9 ships are overdue in the South Atlantic area since 1/3, of which at least 2 are unlikely to have been sunk by U-boats and are probably victims of raiders.

ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on Port Moresby area
- (ii) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomons.
- (iii) Heavy air attacks on the Parwin area.
- (iv) Carrier-borne air raids against K.E. Australian air bases including Horn Island, Tomsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (v) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vi) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

9/5/42

A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers

Effective	Refitting or Repairing
LKXINGTON	-----
YORKTOWN	

Cruisers

MINNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
ASTORIA
CHESTER
PORTLAND
CHICAGO
AUSTRALIA

Destroyers

HOBART
INDIANAPOLIS

ADELAIDE	LK TRIUMPHANT
PHELPS	VENDETTA
DEWEY	
WORDEN	

DALE
FARRAGUT
MONOGHAN
KORRIS
HAMAN
ANDERSON
RUSSEL
HUGHES
FALKE
PERKINS
EDWARDS
FORD
BULMER
BARKER
STUART
TROMP
ARUNTA

Submarines

S.47)	
S.38	)	On Patrol
S.42)	
S.44)	

S.37)	
S.40)	
S.41	)	At Brisbane
S.43)	
S.45)	
S.46)	

Dutch Submarines

K.9)	
X.12	)	At Melbourne

A.M.C. #8

WESTRALIA
KANIMBLA
MANOORA

S/P Tenders
Submarine Tender
Gunboat

TAHGIER	W.B.PRESTON
GRIFFIN	
TULSA	

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

14 Naval Air Authorities including position Chitose Air Squadron, C.O.
1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F/B Squadron,
Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted seaplane Tenders.

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solossona Area (Contd)

- Possibly 1 Battleship ("HIYERU")
- 4 aircraft carriers ("SHOKAKU" "ZUIKAKU" "RYUKAKU" "KASUGA") *i probably 2 sunk*
- 5 - 8" Cruisers
- 4 possibly 5 - 5.5" Cruisers *1 believed sunk*
- approx 13 destroyers
- 25-30 Merchant Ships including several Arm^y Transports
- 3 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" "KAMETUOTA MARU" "KENJO MAIU")
- 1 Squadron Submarines
- 1 Sub Kept Ship
- C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
- C in C Mandates Air Force
- Portion 1 Gunboat Division
- Approx 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes
- 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2* JESTER# AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- 6" Cruiser
- Destroyers

s/? Tenders

- Destroyer Tender
- Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Submarines

Effective

- PHOENIX
- PAUL JONES
- PARROTT
- TUCKER
- VOYAGER
- CHILDS
- HERON
- BLACK HAWK
- OTUS
- HOLLAND
- WRIGHT
- WRIGHT

Refitting; or Repairing

On Patrol Stations

- POHOISE
- SARGO
- PIKE
- STURGEON
- SPEARFISH
- SKIPJACK
- PICKEREL
- SAILFISH
- SALMON

Repairs & Preparing for Patrols

- SEAWOLF - - - - - At Fremantle - overhaul
- SAUKY " "
- STINGRAY " "
- SWORDFISH " "
- SNAPPER)
- SEAL) At Albany * tender over-
- SCULPIN) haul
- SEADRAGON AT Albany
- SEAWOLF En route Albany
- K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch submarine

3. EAST IKDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.S.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

- Possibly 1 Battleship
- 1 - 8" Cruiser
- 3 - 6" Cruisers
- 12 Destroyers
- Several Seaplane Carriers
- C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

B) GENERAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
Battleships

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
	COLORADO (8-16")	
	MARYLAND (8-16")	
	MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
	NEW MEXICO (12-14")	
	IDAHO (12-14")	
	TENNESSEE (12-14")	
	PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	
Aircraft Carriers	ENTERPRISE	SARATOGA
	HORNET	
8" Cruisers	NO. THAMPTON	
	SAN FRANCISCO	
	VINCENNES	
	LOUISVILLE	
	PENSACOLA	
6" Cruisers	ATLANTA	HELENA
	DETROIT	RALEIGH
	NASHEVILLE	
	ST. LOUIS	
Destroyers	40 (approx)	
Submarines	23 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet Including 8 - 9 battleships (3 en route Truk)

7 aircraft carriers	KAGA	En route Truk
	SORYU	En route Truk
	HIRYU	Home waters
	AKAGI	At Yokosuka
	RYUJO	Probably at Eure
	HOSHO	
	KORYU	

6 - 8" Cruisers (2 en route Truk)

2 - 6" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

Some units 4th Fleet

Possibly 8 destroyers

At least 12 Chartered Merchant Ships

Special Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion

Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier (PRAMOI")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron and 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron

6 Unidentified warships

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital Ship

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
	RICHMOND	
	MILWAUKEE	
	LEANDER	
	ACHILLES	
	HONOLULU	
	BOISE	
	CONCORD	
	TRENTON	

A.M.C.'s

Effective
ASCANIA
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SMM

Refitting or Repairing

A/C Tender
Probably 14 Destroyers

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

* E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

P) INDIAN OCEAN - MALAY AREA

British and IT
Battleships

Effective
WARSPIT
RESOLUTION
REVENGE
RAMILLERS
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIANT

Refitting or Repairing

Aircraft Carriers

8n Cruiser
6* Cruisers

FORMIDABLE
IHEO/ITABLE
GSOAGIOS AVEROPP (Greek)
CALEDON SUMATRA
DRAGON
ENTERPRISE
EMERALD
CERES
DURBAN
BIRMINGHAM
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DANAS
DAUNTLESS
WORCESTERSHIRE

A.M.C.'s

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

ECTOR
RANCHI
CORFU
CEITRA
ALANIA
BEEMSKERCK
COVENTRY
CARLISLE
25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

4 THORNTONS
116 Destroyers
220 Submarines
CG in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

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APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

10th May, 1942.

DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES.

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA.

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIAN FORCES
British and Allies

- (1) Task Forces 17 and 44 (two Aircraft Carriers, 7 heavy Cruisers, 1 light Cruiser, 15 Destroyers) are operating in the Coral Sea.
- (ii) "ZANIMBLA" "J.23. FORD" and "J.D. WARDS" escorting 2 merchant vessels departed Brisbane 0944/9 for Tongatabu. ETA 0940/10
- (iii) "MASOORA" and "MILOURA" departed Sydney 1324/9 for R.V. with "WBFHARSEB."
- (iv) "BARKER" and "WELMERT" departed Sydney 1332/9 for R.V. with Convoy FW.2070 (& ships aborted by "INDIAMAPOLIS") at 1400/10. With "STUART" to escort 6 ships from this convoy to Adelaide.
- (v) "STUART" departed Melbourne 1300/9 for R.V. with Convoy FW.2070 at 1330/11 and escort portion of that Convoy to Adelaide.
- (vi) "ARUHIA" arrived Melbourne 1600/9
- (vii) "ABRAHAM CRYHSSBH" en route Melbourne to Sydney escorting IT.9 and K.12. E.T.A. 0800/11
- (viii) "ROCKHAMPTON" departed Brisbane for Sydney 1600/9. ETA 1030/11
- (ix) "PERIOS" departed Adelaide 1100/9 for Sydney. ETA. 1040/10.
- (x) "GERALDTON (A.M.S.) en route Sydney to Melbourne. ETA 1500/10
- (xi) "BOTSAREE" departed Geelong 0801/9 for Housea to R.V. with "MANGORA" and "MUBTURA" (from Sydney) South of Gabo Island.
- (xii) "BENDIGO" to R.V. with "BALLARAT" escorting "KASIKH" at 0800/10 at Cape Melville and proceed in company to Fort Moresby
- (xiii) "SWAN" with "HOBART" escorting "KARBMA" is at Old Harbour (Whitsunday Island) awaiting further orders
- (xiv) "BELORANTHE" escorting small vessels en route Thursday Island to Darwin. E.V.A. 1930 hours today 10/5.
- (xv) "WHYALLA" departed Port Phillip 1552/9. E.T.A. Adelaide 1200/11
- (xvi) At Sydney - "ADELAXBK" "WKSTRALIA" "TROUP" "WARRICK" Refitting - "CAHBHRA" "LE TRIOMPKAST" "VICTORIA" "W.B. PRESTON"
- (xvii) At Melbourne - "VENDETTA" (repairing) "ARUMA" "PIWIWO" "ALSSY"
- (xviii) At Brisbane - "ORWIPHE" "TOLSAT"
- (xix) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(I) Allied aircraft sighted on 9/5 the following enemy shipping -

(a) Solomon Islands (Faisi - Buin)

- 3 Cruisers
- 4 Destroyers
- 3 Transports
- 1 Tanker

(b) Salamua and Lag

- 1 Transport
- 1 small cargo vessel
- 4 small barges

(c) Debeyne Island

- 1 Seaplane tender (or freighter)
- 1 possible Tanker
- 6 Sloops
- 2 Torpedo Boats

A> SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA (Contd.)

EAST AUSTRALIA SECTOR (Contd)

Army Forces (Contd)

(A) S.E. Deboyne Island

X heavy cruiser

(e) 100 Bilea Flg. Woodlark Island

2 Destroyer@
2 possible Transports

(f) 1 submarine 450 miles g* of Cairns

(s) 1 Aircraft Carrier 340 miles N.B.E. of Townsville course 110°
0700/9

(h) 2 Aircraft Carriers, 1 Battleship, 8 Cruisers and 4 Destroyers
N.E. of Townsville, exact position not yet known. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
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TOTAL - 45 ships including two Aircraft Carriers, 1 Battleship, 9 Cruisers, 10 Destroyers, 2 Torpedo Boats, 1 Submarine 6 Sloop@, 1 Seaplane Tender, 4 possibly 6 Transports, 1 possibly 2 Tankers and 5 other vessels.

(ii) GSMERAL, - Total enemy forces in the Solomons - New Guinea area are believed to include *

- 1 Battleship
- 2 Aircraft Carriers
- 9 Cruisers
- 13 Destroyers
- 3 (converted) Seaplane Tenders
- 6 Sloops or Gunboats
- 29 Merchant ships

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

- (i) "TUCKER" and "BRIGHT" were due at Fremantle from Melbourne 0801/0
- (ii) "PHOENIX" to R.V* with Convoy SU.4 a.m. 12/5 and escort to Fremantle.
- (iii) "TOOWOOMBA" en route Fremantle to Adelaide E.T.A. 1200/12. departed Albany 1301/8
- (iv) "CHILDS" (U.S. Seaplane Tender) en route Sharks Bay to Fremantle.
- (v) At Fremantle - "PAUL JONES" "PARROTT" "BLACK HAWK" "OTUS" "K.8" - (see Appendix) "SRLIB3 BRCVIO" (Oiler)
- (vi) At Albany - "VGYAGFR" "HOLLAND" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (vii) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON"
- (viii) Geraldton area - "LANAKAI" (U.S. Auxiliary)
- (ix) For submarines in Western Sector - See Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

Sea submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or O.E.I. area - (See Appendix)

Enemy forces - See Appendix

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC ARM

Enemy Forces.

There is no confirmation that the two additional heavy Cruisers "TAJAP" and "ATAW" with one Destroyer Division and aircraft Carrier UKOAS and possibly "SOFTO" have arrived in the Truk area. If previous Intelligence is correct however, it is considered likely that this force may by now have reached the Truk area.

There is no further Intelligence concerning the departure of the 3rd Battleship division and the aircraft Carrier "SIBW" which are also expected to arrive in the Truk area shortly.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "DODLW" (U.S. Destroyer) and "RIFLE" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Island to New Zealand.
- (ii) "MASSIE" departed Honouliuli 1558/77 for RVV.
- (iii) "FRIDSON" departed Nukunono 5785
- (iv) "CHSVR 1113" en route Honouliuli to Auckland B.T.A. 10/85
- (v) "SWAN" (U.S. Auxiliary) arrived Apia (Samoa) 1658/77
- (vi) At Bora Bora -- "RICHMOND" "THEFTON" "CONCORD"
- (vii) At Tongatabu -- "DOBBIN" "SOLACE" "LASSIE"
- (viii) At Suva -- "SUMKIN"
- (ix) Honouliuli area -- "HSHLIS" "HSUG" "GSEMNO" "WILCAHMA" "SESEOFDAUT" "MIRETRA"
- (x) At Auckland -- "WASAHIA" "MOSGWA"
- (xi) At Vila -- "ILSANDB" "ACHILLES" "WHIP" "ALSIT"

D) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC ARM

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces.

- (i) Convoy SS744 ("MOEBROOK" "DWOOD" and "TRITON") escorted by "CHITRAL" departed Durban 1/5 en route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide. B.T.A. Fremantle 1403/18
- (ii) "WAFQANILLA" (Hospital ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (iii) "PINKIE" escorting "THELMA" (tanker?) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll. B.T.A. 17/5
- (iv) "TRINITX" en route Albany to Abadan.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

(1) PERISAL. There are indications from Most Secret Sources that -

- a. The Moresby invasion operation has been postponed
- b. The main enemy convoy is to proceed back to Rabaul
- c. The Aircraft Carrier striking force is to proceed eastward after refuelling to carry out an operation probably against Nauru
- d. Damaged Aircraft Carrier "SOXIXH" is operating aircraft from its flight deck and is proceeding back to Japan.

(ii) Deboyns Island. A Seaplane Tender (or freighter) South of Deboyns Island was attacked by Allied aircraft between 1050 and 1400/9. The vessel was probably damaged but not sunk. Fifteen seaplanes were observed taking off one of which was sunk and 3 damaged.

(iii) Woodlark Island. Two transports (possibly destroyers) were bombed by Allied aircraft 100 miles N.S. of Woodlark Island. No results were observed.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS (Contd.)

(iv) SoAostona. An unconfirmed report states that 200 Japanese landed at Tilagi and that other landings took place at Cavutu and Mkaabo Island (off N.E. Coast of Tilagi Island). Dates of these occupations are not given.

(v) Further to the report of a submarine attack on "JOHN ADAMS" in 1944 it is reported that the vessel was sighted abandoned and burned on 5/6 and exploded 1030/6. Two boatloads of survivors were located by aircraft on 9/5 and help is being sent.

The crew of "CHUGR" which was sunk 7/5 are reported safe.

3. POSSIBLE FUTURE MOVES.

- (i) Occupation of Sauru and/or Ocean Island.
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against H.E. Australian air bases including Morn Island, Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (iii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomons.
- (v) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area.
- (vi) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vii) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

10/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1* EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers
Cruisers

Effective
VORSTON
MINNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
ASTORIA
CHESTER
PORTLAND
CHICAGO
AUSTRALIA
HOBART
INDIANAPOLIS

Refitting or Repairing

Destroyers

ADELAIDE
PHELPS
DEWEY
WORDEN
DALE
FARRAGUT
MONOORAN
MORRIS
HAMMAN
ANDERSON
RUSSEL
HUGHES
WALKS
PERKINS
EDWARDS
FORD

LE TRIOMPHANT
VENDETTA

Submarines

BULMER
BARKER
STUART
TROMP
ARUNTA

S.47)
S.38)
S.42)
S.44)
S.37)
S.40)
S.41)
S.43)
S.45)
S.46)

On Patrol

At Brisbane

Dutch Submarines

K.9)
K.12)

At Melbourne

A.M.C.'s

WESTRALIA
KANIMBLA
MANOORA

S/p Tenders
Submarine Tender
Gunboat

TANGIER
GRIFFIN
TULSA

S.B. PRESTON

Enemy Forces

New Guinea » Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

14 Naval Air Authorities including portion Chitose Air Squadron, C.O.
1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F/B Squadron,
Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane Tenders:

4# Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area (Contd.)
Possibly 1 Battleship ("HIYEI")

3 aircraft carriers ("ZUIKAKU" "KASUGA") ("SHOKAKU" prob. badly damaged)

4 - 8" Cruisers

4 - 5 1/2" Cruisers

approx 13 Destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

3 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" "KAMIKAWA MARU" "KENJO MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Denot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat division

Approx 93 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 fighters, 33 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2# WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

8ir cruiser

Destroyers

Effective

PHOENIX

PAUL JONES

PARROTT

TUCKER

VOYAGER

CHILDS

HERON

BLACK HAWK

OTUS

HOLLAND

WRIGHT

Refitting or Repairing

S/P Tenders

Destroyer Tender

Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Submarines

On Patrol Stations

POHPOLSE

SARGO

PIKE

STURGEON

SPEARFISH

SKIPJACK

PICKEREL

SAILFISH

SALMON

Repairs & Preparing for Patrols

SEARAVEN

At Fremantle - overhaul

SAURY

STINGRAY

ALBANY

SEAFORDFISH

FREMANTLE

SNAPPER)

SEAL)

At Albany - tender over-haul

SCULPIN)

SEADRAGON

At Albany

SEAWOLF

En route Albany

Dutch submarine

K.8

At Fremantle

3# EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

Possibly 1 Battleship

1 - 8" Cruiser

3 - 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Seaplane Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 72 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

B) TU-NTAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battleships

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Aircraft Carriers

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

Destroyers

Submarines

COLORADO (83-16")
MARYLAND (83-16")
MISSISSIPPI (122-14")
K.M. MEXICO (122-14")
IDAHO (122-14")
TENNESSEE (122-14")
PENNSYLVANIA (122-14")

HORNET
ENTERPRISE
SOUTHAMPTON
SAN FRANCISCO
VINCENNES
LOUISVILLE
PENSACOLA
ATLANTA
DETROIT
NASHVILLE
ST. LOUIS

SARATOGA

HELENA
RALEIGH

40 (approx)
23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 8 - 9 battleships (3 en route Truk)

5 aircraft carriers

HIRYU
AKAGI
RYUJYO
HOSHO
KORYU

Home Waters
At Yokosuka
Probably at Kure

6 - 8" Cruisers (2 en route Truk)

2 - 6" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

Possibly 2 aircraft carriers ("KAGA" "SORYU")

2 heavy cruisers ("ATAGO" "TAKAO")

At least 4 Destroyers

Some units 4th Fleet

Several Chartered Merchant Ships

Special Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMO")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron
and 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron

6 Unidentified iferships

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital Ship

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

6* Cruisers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

RICHMOND
MILWAUKEE
LEANDER
AOUILLES
HONOLULU
BOISE
CONCORD
TRENTON

X

A.M.C.*s

A/c Tender
Probably 14 Destroyers

Effective
ASCAMA
MONOWAI
SWAN

Refitting or Repairing

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AHFA

E) SOUTH BASTFRH PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCFAN - BALAYAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
Battleships

Effective
FLARSPITE
RESOLUTION
REVENGE
RAMILLES
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIAKT

Refitting or Repairing

Aircraft Carriers

8H Cruiser
6* Cruisers

FORMIDABLE
INDOMITABLE
GEORGIOS AVEROFF (Greek)
CALEDON
DRAGON
ENTERPRISE
EMERALD
CERES
DURBAN
BIRMINGHAM
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DANAE
DAUNTLESS
WORCESTERSHIRE

A.M.C.*s

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

RAH3HI
CORFU
CKITRAL
ALAUNIA
HEEMSKERCK
COVENTRY
CARLISLE
25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

3 - 6" Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

2* WSSTEhH AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "H/KCEELIX" to H.V. with Convoy 304 1600/12 and escort to Fremantle.
 (ii) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" were due at Fremantle from Melbourne 9/5.
 (iii) "FOOWOOMBA" en route Fremantle to Adelaide E.T.A. 1200/12.
 (iv) "CHILDS" (U.S. Seaplane Tender) in Fremantle area.
 (v) "PAUL JONES" "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" to depart Fremantle for Melbourne about 1600/10 E.T.A. "PAUL JOSES" p.m. 16/5; others a.m. 17/5.
 (vi) At Fremantle - "OTUSA" "K.8" - (see appendix) "ERLING BROWIG" (Oiler)
 (vii) At Albany - "VOYAGER" "HOLLAND" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOWILL"
 (viii) Sharks Bay area - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON".
 (ix) Geraldton area - "IA KASAI" (U.S. auxiliary).
 (x) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Nine submarines on patrol stations in China sea or N.E.I. area - (see Appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "DALEH" (U.S. Destroyer) and "KA3KASKIA" (Oiler) were to depart Pearl Harbour 10/5 for Noumea E.T.A. 0900/21.

Enemy Forces

- (i) There is no further information concerning the 2 heavy cruisers "TAI5A0" & "ATAGG" who with one Destroyer Division were believed proceeding to the Truk area from Japan. It is possible these units could by now have arrived in the New Britain area.
 (ii) Farther intelligence indicates that the aircraft carriers "EAGA" & "SORYU" are still at sea in the vicinity of Japan. Other carriers in and around Japanese Home Waters include - "HIRYD" "AKAGI" "RYUJO" "NITTA MARU" and probably "HOSH0".
 (iii) This indicates that "ZUIKARU" "SHOKAKU" (damaged) and "KASUGA MARU" are the only aircraft carriers at present south of Truk of which "SHOKAKU" is at present proceeding north and there are indications that "KASUGA MARU" may also return to Japan shortly.
 (iv) There are indications a Battleship Division and light forces from Japan are preparing for operations shortly.
 (v) The enemy is carrying out daily air searches from the Makin, Ellice, Solomons Is. area to a depth of 700 miles.
 (vi) There are indications the enemy intends carrying out a reconnaissance and attack on Howland and Baker Is. shortly.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 16 (2 aircraft carriers, 4 heavy 3 light cruisers, 3 destroyers, 2 tankers) is in the New Hebrides area.
 (ii) "TIPPECANOE" (U.S. Tanker) escorted by U.S. Destroyers "WORDEN" "HELM" "MONOGHAN" arrived Noumea 1155/10.
 (iii) "HENLEY" was to depart ^{Noumea} 0600/9 to assist in the search for survivors from "NEOSHO".
 (iv) "GRIDLEY" (U.S. Destroyer) and "NIGEL" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Panning Is. to New Zealand.
 (v) "FLUSSER" departed Noumea 9/5 for H.V.
 (vi) "BRIDGE" departed Nukualofa 8/5.
 (vii) "CHEVREUIL" from Noumea arrived Auckland a.m. 10/5.
 (viii) At Bom Bora - "RICHMOND" "TRENTON" "CONCORD"
 (ix) At Tongatabu - "DOBBIN" "SOLACE" "LASSEN"
 (x) At Samoa - "SUMNER"
 (xi) Noumea area - "HENLEY" "HELM" "GEELONG" "WILCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR"
 (xii) At Auckland - "ASAKIA" "MONOWAI" "CHEVREUIL"
 (xiii) At Vila - "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPLE" "ALDEN".

Enemy Forces

There are indications that the enemy occupation of Nauru and Ocean Is.

Is imminent#

D) ~~WESTERN~~ PACIFIC AREA

E) 3DUTB EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

P) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy 3W4 ("HOLBROOK" "DUNTHOOI" & "PULIX ROUSSEL") escorted by "CHITRAL" departed Durban 1/5 en route Colombo to Fremantle and Adelaide. E.T.A. Fremantle 1400/13.
- (ii) "VANGAMELLA (Hospital Ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle#
- (iii) "PUNJAB" escorting "THELMA" (tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.
- (iv) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

- (i) NEW CALEDONIA - A floating mine was observed approx 280 miles S.W. of Noumea at 1230/6. An unsuccessful attempt was made to sink the mine.
- (ii) NEW HEBRIDES - Confirmation has been received of the following recent sinkings of enemy ships - Guadalcanal Is. - Tulagi area - 3 destroyers, 2 light cruisers, one large transport about 20,000 tons, 2 transport 8 - 10,000 tons, 1 other cruiser.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Nauru and/or Ocean Island.
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is. Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (iii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomons.
- (v) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area.
- (vi) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vii) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY REPORT FROM PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN MAYAL ACTIVITY

11/5/42

(A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. IA Tfwm tmmKLIh 3SCTOR
British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers
Cruisers

Effective

Hefttln* or Repairing

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S.45)

S.46)

in Patrol

At Brisbane

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Returning from Patrol

Submarine

K.9 \$

At Melbourne

K.12)

A.M.O.*#

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GRIFPIN

TILSA

S/P tenders
Submarine Tender
Oanboat

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Blacark Archipelago - Solomons Area

14 Naval Air AntSorties including portion Caltose Air Squadron, O*O*

1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Wk Bana f/& Squadron,

Blair Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane Tenders.

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Msmarok Ar'n W'fka>> - Bolbaon's Area (Cont'd.)

Possibly 1 Battleship ("HIYEI")

3 Aircraft carriers ("M1 r'n 'KAKU" - "K4S<3A'") (" f'f'OKAXC" prob. badly damaged)

4 - 8" Cruisers

4 * 5.5" Cruisers

approx 13 Destroyers

25 P^o 3 DIS<ro at/ S'p* including several Army Transports

3 Conv'd Ptfd S#*pl* w' f'w'ide fi l' j'KA A MA** a ^M I S w A MART "mijo manu")

X Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C land#tea Wl@*t (4th)

C in C Mandate Air ?opce

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 13 shore-based aircraft including probably 36 fighters, 35 heavy bombers, 20 flying boats and 4 float planes

9 Kotcr torpedo Boats

- 2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
- British and Allied forces
- a" Cruiser
- Destroyers

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ships Preparing for Fareake
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 SWR^AUT at Albany
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Dutch Submarine

3: PAST IBPIKS - FHXLISTE OF QG

British and Allied forces
IS airbases on patrol stations in snA {?} or K.H.I.* area (see above)

Enemy Forces

Possibly 1 battleship

1 - B9 Cruiser

3 - 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several S<3plan# Carriers

C in C Third Fleet

Timor
Approximately 78 shore-based aircraft including 4 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 18 flying boats

(3) PACIFIC AREA

U.S. Navy Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
	* Elt HAST (8-13)	
	WAFULAWD (8-16)	
	MISSISSIPPI (12-14)	
	Wm U-ICQ (12-14)	
	ISA'SO (12-14)	
	OTBSSSE (12-14)	
	pkksylvania (12-14)	
Aircraft Carriers	HORMSF	SARATQA
	ENTERPRISE	
85 Cruisers	WMWAMflon	
	san mt&smGQ	
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	WACOLA	
6+ Cruisers	ATLANTA	hklshA
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	ST: LOBIS	
Destroyers	40 (approx)	
Submarines	S3 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Boning - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 8 - 8 battleships (Sen route Truk)

7 aircraft carriers	aircraft carriers LSA	
	Home Waters	
	AKA?I	At Yokosuka
	trije	Probably at Kure
	IOBI#	
	kgfy?	

8 - 2 Cruisers (2 en route Truk)

2 - 6* Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

2 light cruisers (HMASO "TAKAO")

At least 4 Destroyers

Some units 4th Fleet

Several Chartered Merchant Ships

Social Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion

Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshall

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 Seaplane Carrier (HMASO)**

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron and 1st Air Corps, O.O. Chitose Air Squadron

6 Unidentified Warships

Air tenders and transporters

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital Ship

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Coastal Submarine Force

(C) PACIFIC AREA

U.S. Navy Allied Forces

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
89 Cruisers	RICHMOND	
	MILWAUKEE	
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Refitting or Repairing

A/C Tender
Probably 14 Destroyers

(L) NORTHERN PACIFIC AH'A

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British B-SXB?orea
Battleships *

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Aircraft Carrier

8" Cruiser
6" Destroyers

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COLOMBO
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A.A. Vessels

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COVENTRY
CARLISLE
as (approx)
? (approx)

Enemy Forces
3 - 4 Cruisers

16 Destroyers
20 Submarines
C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

13th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIAN SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Forces 17 and 44 (one aircraft carrier, 7 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 13 destroyers) are operating in the Coral Sea.

(ii) "HOBART" arrived Brisbane 1830/11.

(iii) "WALES" en route Townsville to Brisbane for repairs E.T.A. a.m. today 12/5.

(iv) Task Group 17.3 (less "HOBART" & "WALKE") was to arrive Gid Harbour 1100/11 to refuel from "KARUMBA". On completion of fuelling, "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" to proceed to Sydney for repairs and upkeep for 10 days. "AUSTRALIA" & "PARRAGUT" to proceed to Brisbane E.T.A. 0500/13. After provisioning there "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" & "PARRAGUT" to report by despatch to Comtaskforce 16 for duty.

(v) Convoy P.2070 (9 ships under escort of "INDIANAPOLIS") "BARKER" "BULMER" & "STUART") "INDIANAPOLIS" to take 2 vessels to Melbourne E.T.A. 1630 tomorrow 13/5. Remainder to be escorted to Adelaide by the other three warships.

(vi) "KANIABA" "J.D.FORD" & "J.D.EDWARDS" escorting 2 merchant vessels en route Brisbane to Tongatabu E.T.A. 0940/16.

(vii) "BUNGAKSB" en route Melbourne to Noumea escorted by "MANOORA" & "MILDUHA" (ex Sydney) E.T.A. 1800/15.

(viii) "ABRAHAM CRYNSEN" escorting K9 and K12 arrived Sydney 1532/11.

(ix) "CESHOCK" & "BALLARAT" escorting "KARSIK" to Port Moresby E.T.A. 0900 tomorrow 13/5.

(x) "BENDIGO" & "GOLAC" en route Townsville from Port Moresby. E.T.A. 0800/11.

(xi) "HERO3" en route Adelaide to Sydney E.T.A. 1040/15.

(xii) "ROCKHAMPTON" arrived Sydney from Brisbane 1423/11.

(xiii) "WHYALLA" was due Adelaide from Melbourne 1200/11.

(xiv) "ALSEY" was due to depart Melbourne for Brisbane 1600/11 E.T.A. a.m. 17/5.

(xv) At Sydney - "ADELAIDE" "WESTRALIA" "TRUMP" "WAKREGO" "ABRAHAM CRYNSEN" "K.9" "K.12" Refitting - "CANBERRA" "LE TRIOMPHANT" "VICTORIA" "W. B. PRESTON"

(xvi) At Melbourne - "ARUNTA" "PINGUFO" Repairing - "VENDETTA"

(xvii) At Brisbane - "HOBART" "GRIFFIS" "TULSA" "ATREUS"

(xviii) At Townsville - "SWAN"

(xix) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(1) Allied aircraft on reconnaissance sighted on 11/5 -

SOLOMONS

(a) Faisi - 2 destroyers (or light cruisers) and one probable seaplane tender, stationary off Faisi Island at 0928/11.

(b) Buin - 3 destroyers stationary 10 miles East of Buin at 0930/11.

(c) Tonolei - 2 light cruisers (or destroyers) and one heavy transport off Tonolei Hbr. (southern tip of Bougainville Is.) at 0950/11.

(d) Kessa - 4 cargo ships (one on fire and being towed) 30 miles east of Kessa at 1035/11 course east. Also one submarine approaching this convoy, and one heavy transport at anchor off Kessa.

(e) ST. GEORGE'S Channel - one small cargo vessel and one small gunboat approx 100 miles S.E. of Rabaul at 1001/11.

(f) Buka - Nil sightings.

WITU ISLAND - one tanker sighted 15 miles south of Witu Island

(H.W. of Wailaues Peninsula - New Britain) course east at 0500/11.

(ii) In addition there are indications that -

(a) Aircraft Carriers "SHOKAKU" (damaged) & "JASUGA MATSU" are en route Home Waters from New Britain;

(b) Auxiliary vessels have returned to Rabaul from the Solomons;

(c) About 50 aircraft are expected to move to New Britain area at once

from the Marshalla air force.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied forces

- (i) "PHOENIX" escorted by "CONVOY 304" (HOLBROOK "DUNTRON" & "FELIX ROUSSEL" escorted by "CHITRAL*);
- (ii) "VOYAGER" escorting U.S. "GOLDSTAR" departed Albany 1508/11 for Fremantle;
- (iii) "TOOWOOMBA" en route Fremantle to Adelaide E.T.A. 1200 today 12/5;
- (iv) "PAUL JONES" "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" were to depart Fremantle for Melbourne yesterday 11/5 E.T.A. "PAUL JOKES" p.m. 16/5; others a.m. 17/5*.
- (v) "CHILDS" in Fremantle area.
- (vi) "TOWNSVILLE" escorting "ALASKA" left Darwin 0355/10 for Thursday Island*.
- (vii) "DELORAINE" escorting "MULAIMA" arrived Darwin 1652/11.
- (viii) At Fremantle - "OTUS" "K.8" - (see appendix) "TUCKER" "WRIGHT" "ERLING BROVIO" (Oiler)
- (ix) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (x) Sharks Bay area - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON"
- (xi) Geraldton area - "LANAKAI" (U.S. auxiliary).
- (xii) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or H.K.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (i) AMBON - One destroyer and five other ships, one of which is possibly a Cruiser, were sighted in Ambon Bay by allied aircraft at 0630/11.
- (ii) TIMOR - Aircraft on photographic reconnaissance of the Timor area 13/5 sighted no enemy shipping.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces

"MILK" (U.S. Destroyer) and "KA3KASKIA" (Oiler) were to depart Pearl Harbour 10/5 for Noumea E.T.A. 0900/21*.

Enemy Forces

- (i) There is no further information concerning the 2 heavy cruisers "TAKAO" & "ATAGO" who with one Destroyer Division were believed proceeding to the Truk area from Japan. It is possible these units could by now have arrived in the New Britain area*.
- (ii) Further intelligence indicates that the aircraft carriers "KAGA" & "SORYU" are still at sea in the vicinity of Japan. Other carriers in and around Japanese Home Waters include - "HIRYU" "AKAGO" "RYUJO" "NITTA MAHU" and probably "HOSHU".
- (iii) There are indications a Battleship Division and light forces from Japan are preparing for operations shortly*.
- (iv) The enemy is carrying out daily air searches from the Makin, Ellice, Solomon Is. area to a depth of 700 miles*.
- (v) There are indications the enemy intends carrying out a reconnaissance and attack on Howland and Baker Is. shortly*.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces

- (i) Task Force 15 (2 aircraft carriers, 4 cruisers*, plus destroyers; 2 tankers and 3 destroyers) is in the New Hebrides area.
- (ii) "RICHMOND" & 3 destroyers escorting Convoy BT.202 arrived Nukualofa 1740/9.
- (iii) "HENLEY" & "KKKMX" departed Noumea 9/5 to assist in search for survivors of "NEOSHO".
- (iv) "GRIDLEY" (H.T.3. Destroyer) and "RIGEL" (W.S. Destroyer Tender) en route Fanning Is. to New Zealand E.T.A. 1100/16*.
- (v) At Bora Bora - "TRENTON" "CONCORD"
- (vi) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "DOBBIN" "SOLACE" "LASSEN"
- (vii) At Noumea - "WORDEN" "MONOGHAN"

Noumea area (contd.) - TIPPECANOE" "HELM" "GEELONG" "WILCANNIA"
"BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR".

(vii) At Auckland - "ASCANIA" "MONOWAI" "CHEVREUIL"
(1) At Vila - "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPLE" "ALDEN"

Enemy Forces

There are indications that the enemy occupation of Nauru and Ocean Islands is imminent.

- D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA
- E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA
- F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (I) "VANGANELLA" (Hospital Ship) departed Colombo 26/4 for Fremantle.
- (ii) "PUNJAB" escorting "TILSLMA" (tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.
- (iii) TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.

2. NAVY INCIDENTS

- (i) FAISI (Solomons) - An attack by three allied aircraft on a 11/12,000 ton transport at 1000/11 resulted in two near misses.
- (ii) DEBOYKR IS. (Louisade Archipelago) - At 0900/11 Allied aircraft attacked the seaplane base at Beboyne Island and scored 2 near misses on a four-engined seaplane and two bomb hits on a store-house. An 8,000 ton tanker was attacked but only two near misses resulted.
- (iii) GENERAL - The enemy striking force in the New Britain - Solomons is now believed to include -
 - 1 aircraft carrier
 - 4 possibly 6 heavy cruisers
 - 4 light cruisers
 - approx 15 destroyers
 - 1 squadron submarines
 - 1 gunboat division
 - 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Nauru and/or Ocean Island.
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is., Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (iii) Attack on port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomons.
- (v) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area.
- (vi) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vii) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

12/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carrier
Cruisers

Effective
YORKTOWN
MINNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
ASTORIA
CHESTER
PORTLAND
CHICAGO
AUSTRALIA
HOBART

Refitting or Repairing

CANBERRA
ADELAIDE

Destroyers

INDIANAPOLIS
PHELPS
EEWEY
VIORDEN
DALE
PARRAGUP
MONOGHAN
MORRIS
FAMMAN
ANDERSON
RUSSEL
HUGHES
PERKINS
EDWARDS
PORD
BULMER
BARKER
STUART
TROMP
ARUNTA

LE TRIOMPHANT
VENDETTA
WALKE

Submarines

S.47)
S.38)
S.42)
S*44)
3.39)
5.40)
3.41)
S.37)
3*43)
3*45)
3*46)

On Patrol

At Brisbane

Dutch Submarines

K.9)
K.12)

At Sydney

A.M.C.*s

WESTRALIA
KANIMBLA

S/P Tenders

MANOORA
TANGIER

W.B. PRESTON

Submarine Tender
Gunboat

GRIFFIN
TULSA

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Blaiarak Archipelago - Solomons Area

14 Naval Air Authorities including portion Shitose Air Squadron, C.G.*
1st Air Corps, Yokosuka Air Squadron, Yokohama F/B Squadron,
Tainan Air Squadron and probably several converted Seaplane Tenders

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area (Conttd.)

Possibly 1 Battleship ("HISEI F")
 3 aircraft carriers ("ZUIKAKU" ("RAS'JOA" - "SHOKAKU" (prob. badly damaged
 4 poss. 6 8th Cruisers (*Maak*, en route Horae Waters
 4 - 5:5* Cruisers
 Approx 13 Destroyers
 25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports
 5 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("PUJIKWA MARU" "KAMIKAWA MAHU" "KENJO"
 1 Squadron Submarines (MAIU)
 1 Sub Depot Ship
 C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
 C in C Mandates Air Force
 Portion 1 Gunboat Division
 Approx 115 shore-based aircraft including probably 38 fighters, 45
 heavy bombers, 18 flying boats and 16 float planes
 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

6th Cruiser
 Destroyers

S/P Tenders

Destroyer Tender
 Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Submarines

Effective

PHOENIX
 PAUL JOHNS
 PARROTT
 TUCKER
 VOYAGER
 CHILDS
 HERON
 BLACK HAWK
 GTUS
 HOLLAND
 WRIGHT

Refitting or Repairing

On Patrol Stations

~~POPPY~~
 SEAH?ISH
 SKIPJACK
 PICKEREL
 SAILFISH
 S/L MON
 SAURY
 PERMIT

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

STINGRAY)
 EAPPER)
 SKADRAGON) At Albany
 SCULPIN)
 SARGO)
 SEAL)
 SEAWOLF) En route Albany to Fremantle
 SEARAVEN)
 SWORDFISH) At Fremantle
 STURGEON)
 Dutch Submarine K.8 At Fremantle

3. EAST INDIKS - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

8 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

Possibly 1 Battleship
 1 - 8th Cruiser
 3 - 6th Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 60 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 24
 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats*

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
battleships

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
	COLORADO (8-16")	
	MARYLAND (8-16")	
	MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
	NEW MEXICO (12-14")	
	IDAHO (12-14")	
	TENNESSEE (12-14")	
	PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	
8" Cruisers	SAN FRANCISCO	
	LOUISVILLE	
6M Cruisers	ATLANTA	HELENA
	DETROIT	RALEIGH
	ST. LOUIS	
Destroyers	25 (approx)	
Submarines	23 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonina - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 8 - 9 battleships (3 en route Truk)
 7 aircraft carriers

	KAGA)	
	KIRYU)	Home Waters
	SORYU)	
	AKAGI	At Yokosuka
	RYUJO	
	HOSHO	
	KORYU ?	

4 -- 8" Cruisers
 2 - 6" Cruisers
 30 Destroyers
 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

2 heavy cruisers ("ATAGO" "TAKAO") possibly New Britain Area
 At least 4 Destroyers
 Some units 4th Fleet
 Several Chartered Merchant Ships
 Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
 Several Air padrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
 Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
 1 Submarine division
 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
 1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMGI")
 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron
 and 1st Air Corps, C.Q. Chitose Mtr Squadron
 8 Unidentified Warships
 Air Tenders and Minesweepers
 At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital Ship
 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
 Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
	HOBOKEN	
8" Cruisers	ENTERPRISE	
	NEW HAMPTON	
	VINCENNES	
6" Cruisers	PENSACOLA	
	NASHVILLE	
	RICHMOND	
	MILWAUKEE	
	LEFANDER	
	ACHILLES	
	HONOLULU	
	BOISE	
	CONCORD	
	TRENTON	

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
A.M.C.'s	ANANRA~	
A/c Tender	MONOWAI	
Approx 18 Destroyers	3SWR	
D) <u>NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA</u>		
E) <u>SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA</u>		
P) <u>INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA</u>		
<u>British and Allied forces</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
<u>Battleships</u>	<u>TARANWA</u>	
	RESOLUTION	
	REVENGE	
	RAMILLES	
	ROYAL SOVEREIGN	
	VALLANT	
Aircraft Carriers	FORMIDABLE	
	INDOMITABLE	
8" Cruiser	GEORGIOS AVEROFF (Greek)	
6" Cruisers	CALEDON	
	DRAGON	
	ENTERPRISE	
	EMERALD	
	CERES	
	DURBAN	
	BIRMINGHAM	
	GLASGOW	
	COLOMBO	
	CAPETOWN	
	MCASTLE	
	D AKAE	
	DAUNTIE 33	
	WORCESTERSHIRE	
	HECTOR	
	RM CHI	
	CORFU	
	CHITRAL	
	ALAUNIA	
	HEEMSKERCK	
	CARLISLE	
	25 (approx)	
	7 (approx)	
A.M.C.'s		
A.h. Vessels		
Destroyers		
Submarines		
<u>Enemy Forces</u>		
3" - 6" Cruisers		
16 Destroyers		
20 Submarines		
C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet		

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

15th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCEA) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 44 disposed as follows -
 "AUSTRALIA" & "FARRAGUT" were due at Brisbane 0500 today 13/5.
 "HOBART" at Brisbane.
 "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" en route Sydney for repairs & upkeep (10 days)
 After provisioning "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" & "FARRAGUT" to report
 for duty by despatch to Comtaskforce 16 (see Southern Pacific).
- (ii) Two ships are to be detached today from Convoy PW.2070 and
 escorted to Melbourne by "INDIANAPOLIS" K.T.A. 1630/13.
 "BARKER" & "BULKER" & "STBART" to continue as escort for
 the remaining 7 ships to Adelaide E.T.A. 14/5.
- (iii) "WALKE" (U.S. Destroyer) arrived Brisbane for repairs 1713/12.
- (iv) "CESSNOCK" & "BALLARAT" escorting "KARSIK" are due Port Moresby
 E.T.A. 0900 today 13/5.
- (v) "BENDIGO" & "COLAC" were due at Townsville 11/5.
- (vi) "GERALDTOW" departed Melbourne 2234/12 S.S. Fremantle E.T.A.
 1400/19.
- (vii) "HEROS" en route Adelaide to Sydney E.T.A. 1040/15.
- (viii) "WHYALLA" arrived Adelaide from Melbourne 1237/11.
- (ix) "ALSEY" departed Melbourne for Brisbane 11/5 E.T.A. a.m. 17/5.
- (x) At Sydney - "ADELAIDE" "AUSTRALIA" "TRDMP" "WARREGO" "ABRAHAM
 CRYNSSEN" "K.9" "K.12"
 Refitting - "CANBERRA" "LK TRIUMPHANT" "VICTORIA"
 "B. PRESTON"
- (xi) At Melbourne - "ARUNTA" "PINOWO"
- (xii) At Brisbane - "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "FARRAGUT" "GRIFFIN" "TULSA"
 "ATREUS"
 Refitting - "WALKE"
- (xiii) At Townsville - "SWAN"
- (xiv) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (see Appendix)

- (i) SOLOMONS - Allied aircraft on reconnaissance sighted the following
 enemy shipping on 12/5
 (a) Falsi - 1 cruiser, 3 destroyers, 1 tanker, 2 transports and
 1 submarine at 0845*.
 (b) Kessa - 3 destroyers, 9 transports, several small craft at
 1105.
- (ii) NEW BRITAIN - 8 transports, 2 tenders and 15 other craft were
 sighted by air reconnaissance in or near Rabaul Harbour at
 1100/12*.
- (iii) GKNTUAL -
 (a) There are indications that the movement of approx 50 land
 based bombers from the Marshalls to Rabaul may have been
 cancelled by the postponement of the Port Moresby offensive.
 (b) There are indications that portion of the occupation force for
 the Nauru - Ocean Island operation will come from Rabaul and
 that the operation will take place towards the end of the
 present week, (15th - 18th).
 (c) The covering force for the above operation is believed to
 include one aircraft carrier "ZUIKAKU", at least 2 possibly
 4 heavy cruisers and 4 destroyers.
 There are indications that "ZUIKAKU" has only a limited
 number of her aircraft effective, and that she may be
 drawn to Japan shortly.
 (d) There are indications that the enemy may withdraw from the
 Beboyne Island base, and that two heavy cruisers will cover
 this withdrawal.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

- (i) "FIDELIX" escorting Convoy 3U4 ("HOLBROOK" "DUNTROON" & "FELIX ROUSSEL" escorted by "CHITRAL" - ex Colombo) en route Fremantle E.T.A. 1400 today 13/5.
- (ii) "PAUL JONES" "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. "PAUL JONES" p.m. 16/5; others a.m. 17/5.
- (iii) "VOYAGER" escorting U.S. "GOLDSTAR" departed Albany p.m. 11/5 for Fremantle.
- (iv) "TOOWOOMBA" en route Fremantle to Adelaide E.T.A. p.m. today 13/5.
- (v) "CHILDS" in Fremantle area.
- (vi) At Fremantle - "OTUS" "K.8" "TUCKER" "WRIGHT" (see appendix) "EKLINO BRGMIG" (Oiler)
- (vii) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) Tj. 3. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (viii) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON"
- (ix) Geraldton area - "LAMAKAI" (U.S. auxiliary).
- (x) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. HAST INDIES & PHILIPPINES
British and Allied Forces

8 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

- (i) "ATLANTA" (light cruiser) "RAINIER" (ammunition ship) "DALE" (Destroyer) and "KA3KASKIA" (Oiler) en route Pearl Harbour to Noumea E.T.A. 0900/5L.

Enemy Forces

- (i) There is no further information concerning the 2 heavy cruisers "TAKAO" & "ATAGO" who with one Destroyer Division were believed proceeding to the Truk area from Japan. It is possible these units could by now have arrived in the Sew Britain area.
- (ii) Present intelligence indicates that the aircraft carriers "KAGA" & "SORYU" are still at sea in the vicinity of Japan. Other carriers in and around Japanese Home Waters include - "HIRYU" "AKAGI" "RYUJO" "NITTA MARU" and probably "HOSHO".
- (iii) There is no further information concerning the movements of a Battleship Division and light forces which were believed preparing in Home waters for imminent operations.
- (iv) The enemy is carrying out daily air searches from the Makin, Ellice, Solomon Is. area to a depth of 700 miles.
- (v) There are indications the enemy intends carrying out a reconnaissance and attack on Howland and Baker Is. shortly.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "HORNET" "ENTERPRISE", heavy cruisers "NORTHAMPTON" "SALT LAKE CITY" "VINCENNES", light cruiser "ATLANTA" with destroyers and 2 tankers) is in the New Hebrides area.

Heavy cruisers "MINNEAPOLIS" "ASTORIA" "NEW ORLEANS" arrived Noumea 0916/12 to refuel, and will later join Task Force 16.

- (ii) Task Force 17 was operating in the Suva - Noumea area.
- (iii) "KANIMBLA" "J.D. PORD" & "J.D. EDWARDS" escorting two merchant vessels en route Brisbane to Tongatabu E.T.A. 0940/16.
- (iv) "MANOORA" & "MIDURA" escorting "BUNGAREE" en route Noumea E.T.A. 1800/15.
- (v) "RICHMOND" & 3 destroyers escorting Convoy BT.202 arrived Nukualofa 1740/9.
- (vi) "HENLEY" operating in Noumea area.
- (vii) "GRIDLEY" (U.S. Destroyer) and "RIGEL" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) arrived Tongatabu 1000/10 from Fanning Is. and departed 1600/10 for New Zealand. E.T.A. 1100/16.
- (viii) At Bora Bora - "TRENTON" "CONCORD"
- (ix) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "DOBBIN" "SOLACE" "LASSEN"

- (x) Noumea area - "WORDEN" "MONOGHAN" "TIPPECANOE" "HELM" "GEELONG"
"WILCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR"
(xi) At Auckland - "ASCANIA" "MONOWAI" "CHEVREUIL"
(xii) At Vila - "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPLE" "ALBEN"
(xiii) "HEAWOOD" & "FULLER" (U.S. Transporta) departed Apia (Samoa) with
destroyer escort 0636/11 - destination unknown*.

Enemy Forces

There are indications that the enemy occupation of Nauru and Ocean Is. will take place at the end of this week (15th - 18th May).

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (I) "VICTORY" escorting "THELMA" (Tanker) en route Fremantle to Addu Atoll E.T.A. 17/5.
(ii) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

Nil

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Nauru and/or Ocean Island.
(ii) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is., Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC ? INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

13/5/42

A) SOOTH WESTERS PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces
Cruisers

Effective
CHICAGO

Refitting or Repairing

ADSTEALIA

CANBERRA

HOBART

ADELAE DE

INDIANAPOLIS

Destroyers

FARRAGUT

LE TRIOHPHANT

PERKINS

VENDETTA

BULMER

WALKS

BARKER

STUART

TROMP

ARTINTA

Submarines

S.47)

3.38)

3.42)

5.44)

5.39)

On Patrol

5.40)

5.41)

S.37)

S.43)

5.45)

At Brisbane

S.46)

Dutch Submarines

K.9)

K.12)

At Sydney

A.M.G.

WESTRALIA

S/? Tender

W.B. PRESTON

Submarine Tender

GRIFFIN

Gunboat

TULSA

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

~~Possible Battleship ("RYUJI")~~

1 aircraft carrier ("ZUIKAKU")

4 possibly 6 8W Cruisers

4 - 5.5" Cruisers

Approx 13 Destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

3 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" "KATSIKAJA MARU" "KENJO

1 Squadron Submarines

MARU")

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 115 shore-based aircraft including probably 38 fighters, 45 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 16 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

8" Cruiser

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Destroyers

Finnhc

PAUL JONES

PARROTT

TUCKER

VOYAGER

A.M.C.

CHITRAL

S/p Tenders

CHILDS

HERON

Destroyer Tender

BLACK HAWK

Submarine Tenders

OTOS

Holland

British and Allied Forces (Contd.)

1/6" Tender

WRIGHT

Submarines

On Patrol Stations

PERMITIST "-----"
 3PKAHFISH
 SKIPJACK
 PICKEREL
 SAILFISH
 SALMON
 SAURY
 PERMIT

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

STINGRAY)
 SNAPPER))
 SEADRAGON)) At Albany
 SCULPIN))
 SARGO))
 SEAL)
 SEAWOLF) En route Albany to Fremantle
 SEARAVEN))
 SWORDFISH)) At Fremantle
 STURGEON))
 K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch submarine

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

8 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" Cruiser
 3 - 6" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 60 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 24 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

C) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

COLORADO (8-16")
 MARYLAND (8-16B)
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
 NEW MEXICO (12-14")
 IDAHO (12-14")
 TENNESSEE (12-14")
 PENNSYLVANIA (12-14**)

Refitting or Repairing

8" Cruisers

SAN FRANCISCO

6" Cruisers

LOUISVILLE

DETROIT

HELENA

ST. LOUIS

RALEIGH

Destroyers

25 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan 10

Units of Combined Fleet including: ~~3 on route back~~ battleships

7 aircraft carriers

KAGA)
 HIRYU) Home Waters
 SORYU)
 AKAGI)
 RYUJO)
 HOSHO)
 KORYU ?

4 - 8" Cruisers

2 - 6" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

British & Allied Forces

5 1/2" Cruiser -----

6" Cruisers

A.M.C.*#

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers

Submarines

Enemy Forces

3 - 6" Cruisers

16 Destroyers

20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Effective

GEORGIOS AVEROFF

Refitting or Repairing

(6 months) -----

CALEDON

DRAGON

ENTERPRISE

EMERALD

CERES

DURBAN

BIRMINGHAM

GLASGOW

COLOMBO

CAPETOWN

NEWCASTLE

DANAE

DAUNTLESS

WORCESTERSHIRE

HECTOR

RANCHI

CORFU

ALAUNIA

HEEMSKERCK

CARLISLE

25 (approx)

7 (approx)

Z&IY AP?RECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

14th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) Warship Group 16.5 disposed as follows -

"AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" & "FARRAGUT" at Brisbane.

"CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" en route Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) E.T.A. 0600 today 14/5.

After provisioning "AUSTRATJA" "HOBART" & "FARRAGUT" to operate in Sydney Port-Moresby area.

(ii) "INDIANAPOLIS" escorting "ARGENTINA" & "MATSONIA" arrived Melbourne 1605 yesterday 13/5.

(iii) Remaining 7 ships of Convoy P.2070 en route Adelaide escorted by "BARKER" "BULMER" & "SHUOR STUART" E.T.A. today 14/5.

(iv) "HENLEY" proceeding Brisbane from Noumea area with 123 survivors from "NEOSHO" & "STIM3". ("HELM" to proceed Brisbane later.)

(v) "BENDIGO" & "COLAC" arrived Townsville 0615 yesterday 13/5.

(vi) "TOOWOOMBA" arrived Adelaide from Fremantle 1024 yesterday 13/5.

(vii) "BALLARAT" & "CESSNOCK" escorting "KARSIK" were due to arrive Port Moresby yesterday 13/5.

"BALLARAT" to R.V. with "SWAN" at 1600/15 and escort "WANAKA" to Port Moresby.

(viii) After completion convoy duties (Convoy PW.2070) "BULMER" to proceed Melbourne and "BARKER" to Tongatabu.

(ix) "GERALDTON" en route Melbourne to Fremantle E.T.A. 1400/19.

(x) "HEROS" en route Adelaide to Sydney E.T.A. 1040/15.

(xi) "ALSEY" en route Melbourne to Brisbane JUT.A. a.m. 17/5#

(xii) At Sydney - "ADELAIDE" "WE998ALIA" "TROMP" "FARREGO" "ABRAHAM C8YNS3KN" "K.9" "K.12" Refitting - "CANBERRA" "LE TRIOMPHANT" "W.B.PRESTON" "VICTORIA"

(xiii) At Melbourne - "ARUNTA" "PINGAO"

(xiv) At Brisbane - "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "FARRAGUT" "GRIFFIN" "TULSA" "ATREUS" Repairing - "WALKE"

(xv) At Townsville - "SWAN"

(xvi) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Shanty Forces (See Appendix)

(i) Allied aircraft on reconnaissance sighted the following enemy shipping yesterday 13/5 -

SOLOMONS

(a) Bougainville - At 0815 1 destroyer, 1 transport

(b) At 0830 - 1 destroyer, 2 heavy transports, 9 miles east of Buin.

(c) At 0830 - 1 destroyer, 1 large cargo ship - 25 miles N.E. of Buin.

(d) Kessa - At 1045 - 1 heavy cruiser, 1 tender.

NEW BRITAIN

(a) Kabaui - At 0850 1 light cruiser, 12 transports anchored in Harbour and one transport entering Harbour.

(b) St. Georges Channel - 0840 - 3 warships
0841 - 1 transport

NEW IRELAND

Tafaf Is. - At 1540 - 1 possible aircraft carrier.

Trebriand Is. - 1 transport 150 miles north of Samarai.

COHAL SEA - At 1626K/13 submarine sighted 13°3, 147°E approx 200 miles south of Moresby.

(ii) GENERAL - The departure of approx 12 vessels from Kessa yesterday morning including 16 large transports may be related to the impending operation against Nauru and Ocean Island which is now estimated to commence about 17/5.

(b) The one aircraft carrier believed to be at present in the New Britain - Solomons area ("ZUIKAKU") was reported by Cincpac yesterday

13/5 en route Japan probably via Truk.

- (c) This leaves an enemy covering force for the Nauru - Ocean Tolland operation to include 4 heavy cruisers and destroyers.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "PROETIX" escorting Convoy 3U4 ("HOLBROOK" "DUNTRON" & "FELIX ROUSSEL" escorted by "WHITBAL" - ex Colombo) were due to arrive Fremantle today 14/5.
- (ii) "PAUL JONES" "PARROT" & "BLACK HAWK" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. "PAUL JONES" p.m. 16/5; others a.m. 17/5.
- (iii) "VOYAGER" escorting U.S. "GOLDSTAR" departed Albany p.m. 11/5 for Fremantle.
- (iv) "CHILDS" in Fremantle area.
- (v) At Fremantle - "OTUS" MK.8* "TUCKER" "HEIGHT" (see appendix) "ERLING BROMIG" (Oiler)
- (vi) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (vii) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERCK"
- (viii) At Geraldton - "LAI AEAI" (U.S. Auxiliary).
- (3x) "WARRAMBOOL" escorting "MULIMA" departed Darwin 0354/13 for Thursday Is. E.T.A. 1130/17.
- (x) "PUKJAB" arrived Fremantle 0845/13.
- (xi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or I.I.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces - There are indications the enemy air force in the N.I.I. is about to commence an offensive.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

"ATLANTAW" (light cruiser) "RAINIER" (armed merchant ship) "CALE" (destroyer) and "KAXASKIA" (Oiler) en route Pearl Harbour to Noumea E.T.A. 0900/21.

Enemy Forces

- (i) A signal from Opnav indicates that the heavy cruisers "ATAGO" & "TAKAO" are still in Japanese Home Waters. These units were previously reported as proceeding from Japan to the Truk area.
- (ii) All Japanese aircraft carriers are now believed to be either in Japanese Home Waters or proceeding to Japanese Home Waters from the South. The only carriers at present in or south of the Caroline Is. include the damaged carrier "SHOKAKU" & "ZUIKAKU" both of which are now thought to be proceeding north.
- (iii) The Third Battleship Division is still believed to be in Japanese Home Waters (Cincpac). This division was the one previously indicated as possibly proceeding to the Truk area.
- (iv) There are indications the enemy intends carrying out a reconnaissance and attack on Rowland and Balfour Is. shortly.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "HORMET" "ENTERPRISE", heavy cruisers "KORTHAMPTON" "SALT LAKE CITY" "VINCENNES" "MINNEAPOLIS" "ORLEANS", light cruiser "MASHVILLE" and destroyers) is operating in the Noumea - New Hebrides area.
- (ii) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (iii) "KAMIMELA" "J.D.PORD" & "J.D.EDWARDS" escorting two merchant vessels en route Brisbane to Tongatabu E.T.A. 0940/16.
- (iv) "MANOORA" & "MXLDURA" escorting "BUNGAREE" en route Noumea E.T.A. 1800/15.
- (v) "HELM" operating in Noumea area, on Coral Sea en route Brisbane
- (vi) "PENSACOLA" & "ONYINGHAM" arrived Vila 1800/12.
- (vii) "CHEVREUIL" (Free French Sloop) departed Auckland 1030/13 for Walpole Is. E.T.A. dawn 16/5.

- (viii) "HUGHES" escorting Oiler "PLATTE" arrived Noumea 0816/14/5.
- (ix) "MONTSCLOMERY" (Minediv 2) departed Vila 1500/12 for Tongatabu via Fiji E.T.A. Fiji 1400/14.
- (x) "RAMSAY" stay proceed Tongatabu to assist "MONTGOMERY" on completion of mining operations Vila 50/5*.
- (xi) At Noumea - "██████████" "TIPPECANOE" "PLATTE" "GEELONG" "WILCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKDH" and several destroyers.
- (xii) At Auckland - "ASGANIA" "MONOWAI"
- (xiii) At Vila - "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" WHIPPLE" "ALDEN"
- (xiv) "HEYWOOD" & "FULLER" (U.S. Transports) departed Apia (Samoa) with destroyer escort 0636/11.

Energy forces

There are indications that the enemy occupation of Nauru and Ocean Is. will now take place about 17th May.

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

B) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.

2* KAVAL INCIDENTS

~~SECRET~~

- (1) AMBON - Allied air attack on Ambon 13/5 by 9 Hudsons resulted in one 3,000 ton vessel sunk; hits scored on one 2,000 and one 3,000 ton vessels; near misses on one 5,000 ton vessel.

- ~~SECRET~~ (ii) ARCHER POINT (Old) - An unidentified vessel reported off Archer Point at 2207/11 on a southerly course, burning navigation lights. The sighting has not yet been identified.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Nauru and/or Ocean Island.
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is., Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney*.
- (iii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Is.
- (v) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area.
- (vi) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands.
- (vii) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1* EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces
Cruisers

Effective
minimo

Refitting or Repairing

	AUSTRALIA	CANBERRA
	HOBART	ADELAIDE
	INDIANAPOLIS	
Flotilla Leaders	TROMP	LE TRIOMPHANT
	ARUKTA	
	STUART	
Destroyers	FARRAGUT	VENDETTA
	PERKINS	WALKER
	BULMER	
	BARKER	
Submarines	S.47)	
	S.38)	
	S.42)	
	S.44)	On Patrol
	S.39)	
	S.40)	
	S.41)	
	S.37)	
	S.43)	At Brisbane
	S.45)	
	S.46)	
Dutch Submarines	K.9)	At Sydney
	K.12)	
A.M.C.*	WESTRALIA	W.B.PRESTON
S/P Tender		
Submarine Tender	GRIFFIS	
Gunboat	TULSA	

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

1 aircraft carrier ("ZUIKAE#") - possibly enroute Truk)
 4 possibly 6 8" Cruisers
 4 • 5.5" Cruisers
 Approx 13 Destroyers
 25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports
 3 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("FUJIKAWA MARU" "KAMIKAWA MARU" "KENJO MARU")
 1 Squadron Submarines
 1 Sub Depot Ship
 C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
 C in C Mandates Air Force
 Portion 1 Gunboat Division
 Approx 115 shore-based aircraft including probably 38 fighters, 45 heavy bombers*, 16 flying boats and 16 float planes
 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces
S" Cruiser
Destroyers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

	PHOENIX	
	PAUL JONES	
	PARROTT	
	TUCKER	
	VOYAGER	
A.M.C.	CHITRE	
S/P Tenders	CHILDS	
	BERON	
Destroyer Tender	BLACK HAWK	
Submarine Tenders	OTUS	
	HOLLAND	
A/C Tender	WRIGHT	

Submarines

On Patrol
POKFOISK
SPEARFISH
SKIPJACK
PICKEREL
SAILFISH
SALMON
SAURY
PERMIT

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

SMISKAT)	
SNAPPER)	
SEADRAGON	)	At Albany
3CTULPIK)	
SARGO)	
SEAL)	
SEAWOLF	)	En route Albany to Fremantle
SEARAVEN)	
SWORDFISH	)	At Fremantle
STURGEON)	
K.S	)	At Freiaantle

Dutch Submarines

3. EAST INDISS - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Force

8 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or W.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" Cruiser
3 - 6" Cruisers
12 Destroyers
Several Seaplane Carriers
C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 60 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 24 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

C) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective Refitting or Repairing

COLORADO	(8-16")	
MAINLAND	(8-16")	
MISSISSIPPI	(12-14")	
NEW MEXICO	(12-14")	
IDAHO	(12-14")	
TENNESSEE	(12-14")	
PENNSYLVANIA	(12-14")	

8" Cruisers

SAN FRANCISCO
LOUISVILLE

6" Cruisers

DETROIT	Boise	HELENA
ST. LOUIS		RALEIGH

Destroyers

25 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 battleships

7 aircraft carriers

KAGA)	
HIFSU	)	Home Waters
SORYU)	
AKAOI)	
RYUJO)	
HOSIO)	
KORYU	?	

4 - 8" Cruisers

2 - 6" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands
Fiji Area

2 transport carriers ("SHOKAKU" (Damaged)) - in route Japan
"KASUGA") in route Japan

Possibly 22 heavy cruisers ("ATAGO" and "AKAO")

Some units 4th Fleet

Several Chartered Merchant Ships

Special Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion

Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 seaplane Carrier ("KAMOI")

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron
and 1st Air Corps, C.C. Chitose Air Squadron

6 Unidentified Warships

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including one Hospital ship

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

HORNET
ENTERPRISE
YGRKTOWN
HCF THIMPTON
SALT LAKE CITY
VINCENNES
PENSACOLA
MINNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
ASTORIA
CHESTER
PORTLAND
NASHVILLE
RICHMOND
MILWAUKEE
LFCADRR
ACHILLES
HDHOLULU

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

A.M.C.'s

A/C Tender

S/P Tender

Approx 25 Destroyers

~~BRITAIN~~ ^A
CONCORD
TRENTON
ATLANTA
ASCANIA
MOSOWAI
KANIMBIA
MANOORA
SWAN
TANGIER

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA
E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA
F) INDIAN OCEAN -- MALAYAN AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battleships

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

WARSPITE
RESOLUTION
REVENGE
RAMILLIES
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIANT
FORMIDABLE
INDOMITABLE

Aircraft Carriers

British and Allied Forces

1 7th Cruiser
6th Cruisers

Effective

GBGPGIO3 AVEROFF
CALEDON
DRAGON
ENTERPRISE
EMERALD
CERES
DURBAN
BIRMINGHAM
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DAKAE
DAUNTLESS
FFOKCESTEHSIRE
HECTOR
RANCHI
C QRFU
ALAUNIA
HSEMSKERCK
CARLISLE

Refitting or Repairing

(Greek)

A.M.C.*. *s

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

3 - 6th Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Daily apkkcaivfion - PACIFIC ? ikbia# ocean kaval activity

15th May, 1943

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

Western & Eastern Voices

{1} Task Group 16.5-3Tspoed as follows -

- "AUSTRALIA" "HG3AHT" & "FARSAGIT" at Brisbane. After provisioning to operate in Sydney - Port Moresby area, "CHICAGO" & "PKREIWS" arrived Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) at 0713/14.
- (ii) Seven ships of Convoy FW.2070 escorted by "BARKER" "BULMER" "STUAHT" arrived Adelaide# 1531/14. "BARKER" & "BULMER" expected to return to Melbourne and "STUART" to proceed Fremantle today 15/5.
- (iii) "HEKLSY" arrived Brisbane 1800/14 with 123 survivors from "NEOSHO" & "SIMS".
- (iv) "HELM" departed Moumea 0730/14 for Brisbane searching for survivors of "NEOSHO" & "SISS" en route.
- (v) "BALLARAT" & "CE3380C" escorting "KARSIK" arrived Port Moresby 1551/13. Later "CE330C" to escort "KARSIK" back to Cape Cleveland and then proceed Townsville.
- (vi) "3WAE" escorting "WAEAKA" arrived Thursday Is. from Townsville 1505/14. To depart not before 0800/16 for Port Moresby arriving not before 1800/17. "BALLARAT" to ft.V. and escort to Port Moresby.
- (vii) "ARUETA" departed Melbourne 1235/14 for Sydney E.f.A. 1500 today 15/5. Later about 17/5 with "TROMP" to escort 5 merchant ships en route Port Moresby via Townsville to a position approx 100 miles E.H.E. from Rockhampton where "ARUKTA" and "THOM?" will be relieved by 2 a/s vessels from Townsville and will return Sydney.
- (viii) "ALSBY" en route Melbourne to Brisbane E.T.A. a.m. 17/5.
- (ix) "OEHALDTOW" en route Melbourne to Fremantle arrived Adelaide 1706/14 I.T.A. Fremantle 1400/19.
- (x) "HERCS" arrived Sydney from Adelaide 1327/14.
- (xi) At Sydney - "ADELAIDE" "SESTRALIA" "THOMP" "WARREGO" "ABRAHAM CRYJ53E" "K.9" "K.12"
Refitting - "CANBERRA" "CHICAGO" "PERKIK3" "LE TRIOK-PH&ST" "W.B.PRESTON" "VICTORIA"
- (xii) At Melbourne - "IKDIARAPOLIS" "PISOWO"
- (xiii) At Brisbane - "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "PARRAOUT" "GRIFFIN" "SULSA" "ATREUS"
Repairing - "WALKS" 3.T.D. 28/5
- (xiv) At Adelaide - "BARKER" "BULMER" "ARX" "STUART"
- (xv) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.
- (xvi) "AKGANSLLA" (Hospital Ship) departed Melbourne 1345/13 for Sydney E.T.A. 0600/15.

Enemy Forces

- (1) Allied air reconnaissance on 14/5 disclosed the following enemy shipping -
- (a) Rabaul - At 0930I/14 20 ships, including 10 and 12 large ships. No warships were seen. One transport was seen entering the harbour. 1 ship similar to a tanker, was sighted 70 miles south of Rabaul, course north.
At 1300K/14, one large transport of 15,000 to 20,000 tons was sighted 20 miles south of Rabaul, heading S.W. Accompanying this ship was a smaller transport and several small ships, apparently anti-aircraft ships.
- (b) Kavieng - At 110&K/14 one cruiser, 3 destroyers and 2 transports.
- (c) Mussau - (St. Matthias Group - N. of New Ireland) - nil sightings.
- (d) Admiralty Is. - New Ireland area:
- (i) At 106&K/14 one small transport in position 1°50'S, 148°20'W {approx 64 miles E.H.E. of Lorengau} course northerly.
- (ii) At 1130X/14, one small transport in position 3°15'S, 150°50'W {approx 50 miles S. by W. of Kavieng}, course northerly, speed 10 knots.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "PHOENIX" escorted by "CHIHAL" - ex Colombo) was due to arrive Fremantle yesterday 14/5. Later "PHOENIX" & "VCYAFIR" to escort convoy to Adelaide.
- (ii) "PAUL JOHNS" "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAVK" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. "PAUL JOSES" p.m. 14/5 others a.m. 17/5.
- (iii) "TUCKER" & "BRIGHT" were to depart Fremantle for Melbourne 1800/14* E.T.A. pm. 21/5*.
- 5 (iv) "VOYAGER" escorted by U.S. "GOLDSTAR" arrived Fremantle 1350/13.
- (v) "CHILDS" in Fremantle area.
- (vi) At Fremantle - "OT03" "X:8" "TUCKER" "VRX6HT" "VOYAGER" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "ERLTNG MtCWA" (Oiler)
- (vii) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (viii) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HKROW"
- (ix) At Geraldton - "LANAKAI" (U.S. Auxiliary).
- (x) "WARRBSA" escorting "ELIMA" en route Darwin to Thursday Is. E.T.A. 1130/17.
- (xi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix*

3. EAST INDIAN - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

British and Allied Forces on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces - there are indications the enemy air force in the N.E.I. area about to commence an offensive.

Sumba - One m/s (5000 tons) sighted by air recce 14/5 Walapapu Bay (N.E. Coast)

B) PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

"RATNIER" (ammunition ship) "DALE" (destroyer) and "KASJCA3XIA" (Oiler) en route Pearl Harbour to Noumea E.T.A. 0900/21

Enemy Forces

- (i) "ATAO" & "TAXAO" are probably still in Japanese Home waters. These units were previously reported as proceeding from Japan to the Truk area.
- (ii) All Japanese aircraft carriers are now believed to be either in Japanese Home waters or proceeding to Japanese Home waters from the South. The only carriers at present in or south of the Caroline Is. include the damaged carrier "SHGKAXU" & "ZUIKAKU" both of which are now thought to be proceeding north.
- (iii) The Third Battleship Division is still believed to be in Japanese Home Waters (Cincpac). This division was the one previously indicated as possibly proceeding to the Truk area.
- (iv) There are indications the enemy intends carrying out a reconnaissance and attack on Holland and Baker Is. shortly.

C) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "HOBSET" "ENTERPRISE", heavy cruisers "NORTHAMPTON" "SALT LAKE CITY" "VINCENNES" "MINNEAPOLIS" "NEW ORLEANS", light cruiser "NASHEVILLE" and destroyers) is operating in the Noumea - New Hebrides area.
- (ii) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (iii) "KAMISBLA" "BJ.P.FGRD" & "J.D.EDWARDS" escorting two merchant vessels en route Brisbane to Tongatabu E.T.A. 0800/16*.
- (iv) "MANGORA" & "MILDURA" escorting "BUNOAREE" en route Noumea 1800 today 15/h.
- (v) "GEELONG" departed Noumea 1616/14 to R.V. with "MAMQORA"
- (vi) "WHEVKEUH" (Free French Sloop) en route Auckland to Walpole Is. E.T.A. dawn 16/5.
- (vii) "MONOIAI" & "ASCANIA" escorting "WAHXXE" departed Auckland 0630/13 for Suva E.T.A. 0700/17*.
- (viii) U.S. Transport with destroyer escort arrived Apia 0613/13*.
- (ix) "FLUSSER" & "MAHAN" (U.S. Destroyers) arrived Noumea 1445/13. "ELUSSEP" was to be ready for sea 1000/14 and to join Comsavespac for to enable "PARRAGUT" to be released from Anzac Squadron.
- (x) "HUGHIS" departed Noumea 1622/14 - destination unknown.

- (x) "MOKTOOMERY" (Minediv 2) was due at Fiji 1400/14 en route Vila to Tongatabu*
- (xii) "RAMSAY" any proceed Tongatabu to await "MONTGOMERY" on completion of mining operation# at Vila 30/5*
- (xiii) At Noumea - "CJB5ER" "MILWAU" "TIPPCAHOE" "PLATTE" "WILCANHIA" "BISHOP" "ALEW" "BERKUR"
- (xiv) At Vila - "PESACOLA" "CONTINENTAL" "LEAHDKH" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPLE" "ALDFH"

Enemy Force

There are indications that the enemy occupation of Nauru and Ocean Ia. will now take place about 17th May*

D) KOROROA PACIFIC *hima*

E) SOUTH SAUNDERS PACIFIC *AtFA*

F) IKERU *AlitA*

British Allied Forces

(T) "WFM" *en route Albany to Abadan* *17/8**

2. Naval Movements

- (i) Allied aircraft attacked shipping off Racaul at 0930/14, scoring one near miss possibly disabling one transport*
- (ii) During an enemy air raid on Port Moresby at 1244/14, approx 180 to 200 Mgb explosive and fragmentation bombs were dropped around S.3. "KAHSIC" (Dutch transport). So far as is known, no damage was caused*
- (iii) A small ship approx 150 tons, camouflaged and with "Ho-80" painted on the bow was sighted by air reconnaissance at 1710 yesterday 14/5, stationary in a position 24 miles S.E. of Darwin*. The ship is so far unidentified*
- (iv) Air patrol from Darwin yesterday 14/5 failed to locate "LAHOUBHAW" (60 ton cutter) which is now 6 days overdue at Darwin from Thursday Island*

3. ENEMY POSSIBLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Kauru and/or Ocean Island*
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is., Townsville and possibly Lae or Sydney*
- (iii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Is.
- (v) Heavy air attacks on the Darwin area*
- (vi) Possible attack on New Caledonia or Fiji Islands*
- (vii) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area*

A P P E N D I X X

to

DAILY APPLICABILITY - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

15/5/42

a) South West Pacific Area

1. KASERN AUSTRALIA DEFOR
British and Allied Forces
in Area

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Befitting or Repairing</u>
	ALISFEIT-III	CHICAGO ETD 25/5-----
	HOBART	CANBERRA
	INDIANAPOLIS	ADELAIDE
Flotilla Leaders	TROUP	LE TRIUMPHANT
	AEJNTA	
	STUART	
Destroyers	FAIRAGUT	VENDETTA
	HULSK	WALKS - ETD 28/5
	EAHKE	PERKISS - ETD 25/5
Submarines	S.47)	
	S.38)	
	8.42)	
	S.44)	
	5.39)	On Patrol
	5.40)	
	S.41)	
	S.43))	
	S.45))	
	3.46)	
	S.37	At Brisbane
Dutch Submarines	E.9)	At Sydney
	K.18)	
A.M.C.	WKSFRATIA	
S/P Tenders		W. B. PRESTOS
Submarine Tender	GRIFFIN	
Gunboat	TULSA	

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

1 Aircraft carrier ("ZUIKAKU" - en route TrATJ)

4 - 8" Cruisers

4 - 5.5" Cruisers

Approx 13 Destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMIKA'FA MARTU" "KENJO MAKU")

1 Squadron Eubridines

1 Sub Depot ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 116 shore-based aircraft including probably 38 fighters, 45 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 16 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

6W Cruiser

Destroyers

Effective

PAOE&IX

PAUL JONES)

PARROTT)

TUCKER

VOYAOER

CHITRAL

CKILDS

HEROSF

BLACK HAW

CRUS

HOLLAND

WEIGHT

Refitting or Repairing

En route Melbourne

i* t

A.M.C.

S/P Tenders

Destroyer Tender

Submarine Tenders

A/C tender

En route Melbourne

En route Melbourne

Submarines

On Patrol
 POPEYE
 SPEASPIH
 SKIPJACK
 PZCSBKBK
 SAILFISH
 SALMON
 SAUKY SEAL
 PERMIT SEAWOLF

Repairing or Preparing for Patrols

STINGRAY)
 SNAPPER)
 SEADRAGON) At Albany
 SCULPIN)
 SAHGO)
 XXXS)
~~SKSSSK) En route Albany to Fremantle~~
 SEARAVEN)
 SWORDFISH) At Fremantle
 STURGEON)
 K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch Submarines

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES
British and Allied Forces

B submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or H.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 T- or Cruiser
 3 - 8" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 60 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 24 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

C) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battleships

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
	<u>MARYLAND</u> (8-16")	4
	MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
	NEW MEXICO (12-14")	
	IDAHO (12-14")	
	TENNESSEE (12-14")	
	PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	
8" Cruisers	SAN FRANCISCO	
6" Cruisers	LOUISVILLE	
	DETROIT	HELENA
	BOISE	RALEIGH
Destroyers	ST. LOUIS	
Submarines	25 (approx)	
	23 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 battleships

7 aircraft carriers
 KAGA)
 KIRITU)
 SORTUJ) Here Waters
 AKAGI)
 RYUJO
 HOSHO
 KORYU ?

4 -- 8" Cruisers
 2 - 6" Cruisers
 30 Destroyers
 30 Submarines

Isolated Islands:

Fukui Area

- 5 Aircraft carriers "SHOKAKU" (Damaged)
"KASUGA") En route Japan
- 1 converted Tender, Seaplane (WAKUJIMA MARU)
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 3th Fleet
- 1 Seaplane Carrier ("KAMOI")
- 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama P/B Squadron
and 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- 6 Unidentified Warships
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships including One Hospital Ship
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA.

British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers 1

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

A.M.O.S

a/c Tender
S/P Tender

Approx 23 Destroyers

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA.

E) SOUTHERN M&M Pacific Area.

F) INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA:

British and Allied Forces
 Battleships

Aircraft Carriers

Effective

- HORNET
- ENTERPRISE
- YOKXTOWN
- NORTHAMPTON
- SALT LAKE CITY
- VINCENNES
- PENSACOLA
- MINNEAPOLIS
- NSW ORLEANS
- A TORIA
- CHESTER
- PORTLAND
- HASHEVILLB
- RICHMOND
- SILWAUXES
- LEAKD'H
- AGHIUS
- HONOLULU
- ~~MISSOURI~~
- OONCORB
- TRENTON
- ATLANTA
- ASCANIA
- MONO'AAI
- KANIMBLA
- MANGORA
- SWAN
- Tangier

Refitting or Repairing

Effective

- MARSHALL
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAILLIKS
- ROYAL SOV REIGN
- VALIANT
- FORMIDABLE
- INDOMITABLE

Refitting or Repairing

British and Allied Forces

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

8" Cruisers
6" Cruisers

GKORGIOS AVEROFF (GREEK)
CALEDON
DRAGON
ENTERPRISE
EMERALD
CERES
DURBAN
BIRMINGHAM
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
BABAE
CAUNTLESS

A.M.C's

WORCESTERSHIRE
HECTOR
RAFCHI
CORFU

^^ A.A# Vessels

ALAUNIA
KKEMSKERCK
CARLISLE

Destroyers
Submarines

25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

3 - 6" Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & ISDIAM PCKAN MAVAL ACTIVITY

16th May, 1948

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & FRIENDLY MAVAL FORCESa) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) British Forces disposed as follows -

"AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "FARRAOUT" at Brisbane,

"CBICATIO" "FIBEIMS" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days)

E.T.A. 26/5.

(ii) "HASHER" "SUMMER" Departed Adelaide for Melbourne 0931/15
E.T.A. 1030/17.

(iii) "STVAIR" was to depart Adelaide for Fremantle 15/5.

(iv) "KLM" departed Noumea 14/8 for Brisbane searching for survivors
of "ISOSHO" A "SIMS" en route.(v) "PAUL JOXSS" "PARROTT" "HJLAOK HAIK" en route Fremantle to
Melbourne F.V.A. "MGL JONES" p.m. 16/5; others a.m. 17/5.(vi) "WILLIAM" to escort "MAGUBILL" to Palm Ia. and then proceed
Townsville E.T.A. 1800/15.(vii) "SKUH" escorting "WAMKJ" to depart Thursday Is. not before 0600
today 10/5 for Port Moresby arriving not before 1800/17.
"CB3SIFOOK" (at Port Koresby) to a.v. at 1600 today 16/5 and
escort to Moresby.(viii) "HAUNTA8" arrived Sydney 14/5. Later about 17/5 with "THOM?"
to escort 5 merchant ships en route Port Moresby via Townsville
to a position approx 100 miles E.H.E. from Rockhampton where
"HMMK" & "VMM?" will be relieved by 2 A/S vessels from
Townsville and will return Sydney.

(ix) "ALSEY" en route Melbourne to Brisbane E.F.A. a.m. 17/5.

(x) "GERALDTON" arrived Fremantle 14/9 en route Melbourne to Fremantle.

(xi) "WAHOASBLA" (Hospital Ship) arrived Sydney 0700/15.

(xii) At Sydney - "WISTSALIA" "TROW" "AEREMIA" "A3KREOS" "ABRAHAM CHYNS3RH"
"G.B.H. 108" "WASGELLA"
Befitting - "CHICAGO" "PERXHS" (KFP 25/4) "ADELAIDE"
"CAHSERRA" "E5 TRION FEAST" "W.B. HIFFIPO"
"VICTORIA"(xiii) At Melbourne - "INDIANALIS" "PIHOWO"
Repairing - "VENDETTA"(xiv) At Brisbane - "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "FARRA:UT" "HENLEY" "GRIFFIN"
"TULSA" "ATREUS"

(xv) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces(i) Allied air reconnaissance on 16/5 disclosed the following enemy
shipping -(a) Lae - "Solamau" - At 1530/15 a 3,000 ton freighter arrived Palawau.
At 1100/15 a m/v transport was reported to be in the Gulf
proceeding towards Lae. In all probability both reports
concern the same vessel.g. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) "HOLBROOK" "DUNTR008" "F1LXX SOUSSEL" escorted by "CHITRAL"
which arrived Fremantle from Colombo 1455/14, to Adelaide.(ii) "TUCKER" & "HEIGHT" were to depart Fremantle for Melbourne 14/5
E.T.A. p.s. 11/5.

(iii) "CBILPJS" en route Fremantle via Geraldton.

(iv) "SARRSAMOOL" escorting "MELIA" en route Darwin to Thursday Ia.
E.T.A. 1130/17.(v) At Fremantle - "OTUS" "K.8" "VOYAO?R" (see appendix) "OOLD3TA" (see
(Store Ship) "BTLING BROVIS" (Oiler) "PUKJAB"(vi) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) X.J.S. Minesweepers "LAHK" "HIPPOOR-
(WILL"

(vii) Sharks Bay - W.S. Seaplane Tender "HERO"

(viii) At Geraldton - "LANAKAI" (U.S. auxiliary)

(ix) per submarines in western Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

3. WEST PHILIP - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Ten submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or J.F.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

"ANONIA" (light cruiser) "HARRIER" (Ammunition ship) "PALE" (destroyer) and "KASAKIA" (Oiler) en route Pearl Harbour to Noumea E.T.A. 0900/21#

Enemy Forces

(i) Truk Area - "There are indications that the remaining light cruisers of the 1st Division 10 ("XASHIMA" "TENRYU" "TATSUTA") are possibly returning to Truk from New Britain - Solomons area. One possibly two of these units are believed sunk in recent operations*.

(ii) There are indications of an enemy concentration in the Saipan - Sonins - Japan area*.

C) WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "HOWE" "SBTERFRXSE", heavy cruisers "NORTHAMPTON" "SALT LAKE CITY" "DIXIE" "MINNEAPOLIS" "MSW OHLBAHNS", light cruiser "ASHEVILLE" and destroyers) is operating in the Noumea - New Hebrides area*.

(ii) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area*.

(iii) "KANIYBLA" "J.D.FORD" & "M.J.EDWARDS" escorting two merchant vessels en route Noumea to Tongatabu E.T.A. 0040/16.

(iv) "WAKSOA" & "FXLDURA" escorting "AUHOAREB" together with "OFELONO" which departed Noumea 14/5 to E.V. with the above, will be due at Noumea 1600 today 16/5.

(v) "MOSCOW" & "ASCAMA" escorting "MARI" en route Auckland to Suva S.T.A. 0700/17.

(vi) "CBEVREHIL" (Free French Sloop) en route Auckland to Walpole Is. E.T.A. dawn 16/5.

(vii) "PLWSSER" departed Noumea 1030/14 en route Noumea to escort tanker to Noumea.

(viii) "POSOSHAI" departed Noumea 1626/15.

(ix) "HKKHITH" (O.S. Destroyer) with "CIWROH" (U.S. Tanker) arrived Noumea 1507/15.

(x) "INTOKAY" (Minediv 2) arrived Fiji 1339/14 en route Vila to Tongatabu. "HAMBAY" may proceed Tongatabu to assist "MONTGOMERY" on completion of mining operations at Vila 30/5.

(xi) "MCCAWLEY" (O.S. Transport) with Orulair escort departed Apia 14/5 destination unknown.

(xii) At Noumea - "HARAI" "MEREDITH" "TIPPECAG" "PLATTE" "WILCASRSIA" "BISMOPALE" "MPVJKUH"

(xiii) At Vila - "PENSACOLA" "CONYNOWAY" "LBANSEI" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPLE" "ALIKN"

Enemy Forces

(i) There are indications that the enemy occupation of Mauru and Ocean Island will take place about 17th May.

(ii) There is evidence that Task Force 16 was sighted by enemy air reconnaissance at 22152/14.

D) WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

S) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

(i) "MCCAWLEY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/5

2. INDIAN OCEAN

(i) Raider Activity - Indian Ocean -- One of the units ("FELIX ROUSSEL") of Convoy 304 which arrived Fremantle 14/5 reported intercepting QM, AAAA distress signals from the British vessel "NAMSIM" (7131 tons - en route Fremantle to Colombo) in a position approx 1360

mile@ west by north of Premntlo on 10/8. The Vessel reported being gunned and bombed and a later message reporting the abandoning of the ship was received 18 ~~and~~ minutes after the first warning.

There has been no definite evidence of a raider operating in the Indian Ocean since the new German Balder "H" was operating off Capetown about the middle of March. A raider distress signal was intercepted on April 10th from a position approx 530 miles off Amsterdam Island but there has been no confirmation that a vessel was attacked.

As Admiralty have no further information regarding the present disposition of Raider "H" it is possible this raider is responsible for the reported attack on "HANKIN**".

Subsequent Intelligence (S/P) suggests that the enemy unit may have proceeded on an easterly course from the position of the "HANKIN" attack.

- (ii) Darwin area - "MAROUBRA", last sighted in the proximity of Gurote Fylent on 10/5, is now overdue 7 days and a further search for her on 15/5 proved negative.
- (iii) Kangaroo Is. (S.A) - At 1000/14 a floating mine was located, drifting eastwards, about 20 miles N.W. of Kangaroo Is.

3. THEIR PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Nauru and/or Ocean Island.
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against H.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is., Townsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (iii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Is.
- (v) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

15/5/42

A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. BRITISH AND ALLIED FORCES
Cruisers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Flotilla Leaders

Destroyers

Submarines

Dutch submarines

A.M.C.

S/P Tenders

Submarine Tender

Destroyer Tender

Gunboat

AUSTRALIA

HOBART

INDIAHAPOLIS

TBOMP

ARJHIA

STUMIT

FAOBT

BULKER

BASSES

PAUL JONES

PARROTT

S.47

S.38

S.42

S.44

S.39

S.40

S.41

S.43

S.45

S.46

3.37

E.9

K.12

WF37RAHIA

ORIFFIN

BLACK HAWK

TULSA

ETD 25/5

CAKBEVIA

ADELAIDE

LE TRIOUPTAHT

VESETTA

WALKE - ETD 28/5

PERKINS - ETD 26/5

On Patrol

At Brisbane

At Sydney

W.S.PRRSTOM

Enemy Forces

New Guinea Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

4 m S/P Cruisers)
4 - 5.5" Cruisers) *form* possibly en route Truk

Approx 13 Destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Artsy Transports

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("XASUKAWA UARO" "JCEKJO MAKUtt)

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Boat ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 107 shore-based aircraft including probably 31 fighters, 42 heavy bombers, 15 flying boats and 19 float planes

9 Sotor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Cruiser

Destroyers

A.P.O.a

S/P Tenders

Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Effective

IMPFI

TVCKER

YOYAOER

CHITRAL

CHILDS

HEROS

OFUS

HOLLAND

MANAHT

Refitting or Repairing

En route Melbourne

En route Melbourne

Submarines

On Patrol
 PORPOISE
 SPEARFISH
 SKIPJACK
 PICKEREL
 SAILFISH
 SALMON
 SAUHY
 PERMIT
 SEAL
 SEAWOLF

Remaining & Preparing for Patrols

~~Winn~~ MURRAY }
 TAPPER }
 SKADRAGON } At Albany
 SCULPIN }
 SARGO } }
 SKARAVEN }
 SWORDFISH } At Fremantle
 STURGECS }
 K.8 } At Fremantle

Dutch submarine

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

16 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" Cruiser
 5 - 6" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 54 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats.

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

COLLIER (8-16")
 MARYLAND (8-16")
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14W)
 NEW MEXICO (12-14*)
 IDAHO (12-14H)
 TENNESSEE (12-14")
 PENNSYLVANIA (12-14*)
 SAN FRANCISCO
 LOUISVILLE

Refitting or Repairing

HELENA
 RALEIGH

8* Cruisers

6* Cruisers

Destroyers

Submarines

25 (approx)

23 (approx)

Enemy Force

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined fleet including 10 Battleships

9 aircraft carriers

KAGA)
 HIRYU) Home Waters
 SORYU)
 AKA01)
 RYUJO
 ROSHQ
 KGRYU ?
 SIKAKI (damaged))
 KASUOA) En route Japan

Ensign Force (Contd.)

- 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 0" Cruisers
- 30 Destroyers
- 30 Substitutes

Mandated Islands

Work Area...

- 1 aircraft carrier (*ZUIKAKU* - en route Japan)
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders (*KAMOX* *FUJIKAWA MAKU*)
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/S Flotilla (Bth)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama f/b squadron, 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Cosmoander Submarine Force

G) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
Aircraft carriers

Effective
HITSW

Refitting or Repairing

8" Cruisers

m s m m i m
 VOMTWU
 WMTM Aimon
 SALT LAKE CITY
 VINCFKJES
 FKNSACOLA
 IXMKEAT'QLIS
 HE* QLEAHS

6" Cruisers

astohia
 cym&sm
 PORTLAND
 m m m m i s m
 RICHMOND
 u w n m h w
 LKAVtm
 ACHILLES
 HONOLULU
 CONCORD

A.a.C.s

TRENTON
 ATLAWA
 A3CAHIA
 MOHOAI
 SATOBEA
 MAHOORA
 SWAH
 T m aim

A/C tender
 S/P Tender
 Approx 25 Destroyers

p) nowmwm pacific asba

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) MIA/S OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
Merchant Ships

Effective
 WA h ITW
 RESOLUTION
 RFVRHOB
 RAMILLIS
 ROYAL SOVSRIIOH
 VALIANT

Refitting or Repairing

British & Allied Forces (Contd.)

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Fitting or repairing</u>
1 Cruiser	GEORGIOS AVBROFF (Greek)	
6" Cruisers	CALEBGI	
	DRAGOS	
	ESTEKPRIAK	
	EMERALX	
	CHRKS	
	DURBAM	
	SXBMXHIBAM	
	GLASGOS	
	COLOBO	
	CAPETOWN	
	WPCASTLK	
	DASAE	
	Dit MILHSS	
A.S.S.C. #3	WORCESTERSHIRE	
	HECTOR	
	RANCHI	
	CORFU	
	ALALFHIA	
A.A. Vessels	HEEMSIKRCK	
	CARLISLE	
Destroyers	25 (approx)	
Submarines	7 (approx)	
<u>Enemy Forces</u>		
5 - 6" Cruisers		
16 Destroyers		
80 Submarines		
C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet		

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

17th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERS PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Group 18.3 disposed as follows -

"AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" & "FARRAGUT" at Brisbane.

"CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep
(10 days) E.T.D. 25/5.

(ii) "INDIANAPOLIS" departed Port Melbourne 1200/16/5.

(iii) "CANBERRA" departed Sydney 0900/16/5 for trials and returned
1607/16.

(iv) "BARKER" & "BULMER" en route Adelaide to Melbourne E.T.A.
E.T.A. 1030 today 17/5.

(v) "HELM" departed Noumea 14/5 for Brisbane searching for survivors
of "NEOSHO" & "SIMS" en route.

(vi) "PAUL JONES" arrived Williamstown 1030/16/5 from Fremantle.

(vii) "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A.
today, 17/5.

(viii) "BALLARAT" escorting "MACDHUI" was to depart Port Moresby for
Townsville 16/5.

(ix) "SWAN" escorting "WANAKA" departed Thursday Is. ~~at 0730/16~~
for Port Moresby E.T.A. 1700/17.

"CESSNOCK" departed Port Moresby 1500/15 to R.V. at 1600/16 and
escort to Moresby.

(x) "ARUBIA" at Sydney. Expected to depart today 17/5 with "TROMP"
to escort 5 merchant ships en route Port Moresby via Townsville
to a position approx 100 miles E.N.E. from Rockhampton where
"ARUNTA" & "TROMP" will be relieved by 2 a/s vessels from
Townsville and will return Sydney.

(xi) "ALSEY" en route Melbourne to Brisbane E.T.A. a.m. today, 17/5.

(xii) "ROCKHAMPTON" departed Sydney 0735K/16/5 searching sweeps to
northward.

(xiii) At Sydney - "WESTRALIA" "TROMP" "ARUNTA" "WARREGO" "ABRAHAM
CRYSSEN" "K.9" "WANGAKELLA".

Refitting - "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" (ETD 25/4) "ADELAIDE"
"CANBERRA" "LE TRIOMPRANT" "W.B. PRESTON" "VICTORIA"

(xiv) At Melbourne "PINGWO"

Repairing - "VENDETTA"

(xv) At Brisbane - "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "FARRAGUT" "HENLEY" "GRIFFIN"
"TULSA" "ATREUS"

(xvi) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces

(i) Allied air reconnaissance on 16/5 disclosed the following
enemy shipping:-

(a) At 1044, 2 cruisers, 1 destroyer, 93 miles N.E. Tabar Island
course 345°, speed 20/22 knots.

(b) At 1210, 1 transport 8000 tons and 1 destroyer approx. 240
miles East by North of Blavieng, course 350°, speed 10 knots.

(c) At 0925, 1 transport near the coast on the West side of
New Ireland opposite gamatanai and approximately due north
of Rabaul, course 315°.

(ii) At least one enemy submarine is operating off the East coast
of Australia (see Naval incidents).

2) NORTHERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

- (7H) "PHOENIX" and "VOYAGER" at Fremantle. To depart 1500 tomorrow, 18/5, with convoy SU4 ("HOLBROOK" "DUNTRON" and "FELIX ROUSSEL" and escort convoy eastwards. On reaching longitude 120° E, "VOYAGER" is to be detached and return Fremantle; At longitude 130° "PHOENIX" is to disperse convoy and return Fremantle. Three vessels from convoy are to proceed independently to Adelaide*.
- (ii) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. p.m. 21/5.
- (iii) "STUART" departed Adelaide 1009/15/5 for Fremantle E.T.A. 1700/19.
- (iv) "GERALDTON" departed Adelaide 0132/16 for Albany E.T.A. 1415/20.
- (v) "CHILDS" en route Exmouth Gulf via Geraldton.
- (vi) "WARRNAMBOOL" escorting "MULIMA" en route Darwin to Thursday Is. E.T.A. 1130 today, 17/5.
- (vii) At Fremantle - "OTUS" "K.8" "VOYAGER" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "BRLING 3ROVIG" (Oiler) "PUNJAB"
- (viii) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (ix) Sharks Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HERON"
- (x) At Geraldton - "LANAKAI" (U.S. auxiliary)
- (xi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix*

EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES
British and Allied Forces

Ten submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (see Appendix)

Enemy Forces

- (i) Truk Area - There are indications that the remaining light cruisers of Cruiser Division 13 ("KASHIMA" "TENRYU" "TATSUTA") are possibly returning to Truk from New Britain - Solomons area*. One possibly two of these units are believed sunk in recent operations.
- (ii) There are indications of an enemy concentration in the Saipan - Bonins - Japan area.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (I) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "HORNET" "ENTERPRISE", heavy cruisers "NORTHAMPTON" "SALT LAKE CITY" "VINCENNES" "MINNEAPOLIS" "NEW ORLEANS", light cruiser "NASHVILLE" and destroyers) is operating in the Noumea - New Hebrides area.
- (ii) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (iii) "ATLANTA" (light cruiser) "RAINIER" (ammunition ship) "DALE" (destroyer) and "KASKASKIA" (Oiler) en route Pearl Harbour to Noumea E.T.A. 0900/21.
- (iv) "KANIMBLA" "J.D.FORD" & "J.D.EDWARDS" escorting two merchant vessels were due at Tongatabu 0840/16 from Brisbane*.
- (v) "MANOORA" & "MILDURA" escorting "BTUNGAREE" together with "GEELONG" which departed Noumea 14/5 to R.V. with the above, arrived Noumea 1610/16.
- (vi) "MONOWAI" & "ASCANIA" escorting "WAHINE" en route Auckland to Suva E.T.A. 0700 today, 17/5.
- (vii) "CHEVREUIL" (Free French Sloop) was due at Walpole Is. from Auckland yesterday, 16/5*.
- (viii) "MONTGOMERY" (MINEDIV 2) arrived Fiji 14/5 en route Vila to Tongatabu*. "RAMSAY" may proceed Tongatabu to assist "MONTGOMERY" on completion of mining operations at Vila 30/5.
- (ix) At Noumea - "MAHAN" "MEREDITH" "MANOORA" "PLATTE" "WILCANNIA" "GEELONG" "MILDURA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR" "BTUNGAREE"
- (x) At Vila - "PENSACOLA" "CONYNGHAM" "LEANDER" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPLE" "ALDEN"

Enemy Forces

(1) There are indications that the enemy occupation of Nauru and Ocean Island will take place about 17th May.

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

(1) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

(1) Indian Ocean - Further to the report of indications of enemy activity west of Fremantle, a later message states that there were indications a.m. 15/5 of a Japanese force 500 miles West of Fremantle and on 16/5 there were indications of a Japanese force 405 to 500 miles further west.

(ii) "WELLEN" (U.S.S.R. steam cargo vessel, 5135 tons) en route Port Kenbla to Newcastle reported that she was being gunned by an enemy submarine at 2034K/16 in a position given as 33° 00'S, 152° 30'E (approx. 35 miles East of Newcastle). "S.S. WELLEN" arrived Newcastle at 0229K/17 having sustained slight damage and minor casualties among the crew. Investigations are proceeding.

(iii) It is reported that the "KOMAKI MARU", 8525 ton cargo vessel, has been sunk at the wharf at Rabaul by allied bombing.

(iv) Further to the report that "MAROUTBRA" was 7 days overdue at Darwin; it is now considered that a small vessel sighted on 14/5 passing west of Wessel Is. was probably "MAROUTBRA".

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Occupation of Nauru and/or Ocean Island.
- (ii) Carrier-borne air raids against N.E. Australian air bases including Horn Is., Tomsville and possibly Brisbane or Sydney.
- (iii) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (iv) Consolidation and further occupation of strategic points in the Solomon Is.
- (v) Increased submarine and possibly surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

17/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces
Cruisers

Flotilla Leaders

Destroyers

Submarines

Dutch Submarines

A.M.C.
S/P Tenders
Submarine Tender
Destroyer Tender
Gunboat

Effective
AUSTRALIA
HOBART
INDIANAPOLIS
ARUNTA
TROMP
FARRAGUT
HENLEY
HELM
BULMER
BARKER
PAUL JONES
PARROTT

S.47)
S.38)
S.42)
S.44) On Patrol
S.39)
S.40)
S.41)
S.43)
S.45)

3.46 En route Townsville for repairs
S.37 At Brisbane (ETA 18/5)
K.9) At Sydney
K.12)

WESTRALIA
GRIFFIN
BLACK HAWK
TULSA

Refitting or Repairing
CHICAGO - ETD 25/5
CANBERRA
ADELAIDE
LE TRIUMPHANT
VENDETTA
WALKE - ETD 28/5
PERKINS - ETD 25/5

W.B. PRESTON

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

4 - 8" Cruisers. ~ }
4 - 5.5" Cruisers) Some possibly en route Truk

Approx 13 Destroyers
25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports
2 Converted Seaplane tenders ("KAMIKAWA MARU" "KENJO MARU")
1 Squadron Submarines
1 Sub Depot Ship
C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
C in C Mandates Air Force
Portion 1 Gunboat Division
Approx 107 shore-based aircraft including probably 31 fighters, 42 heavy bombers, 15 flying boats and 19 float planes
9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

Flotilla Leader
Destroyers

A.M.C.
S/P Tenders

Submarine Tenders

A/C Tender

Effective
STUART
TUCKER (En route Melbourne)
VOYAGER
CHITRAL
CHILDS
HERON
OTUS
HOLLAS D
WRIGHT (En route Melbourne)

Refitting or Repairing

Submarines

On Patrol
 PORPOISE
 SPEARFISH
 SKIPJACK
 PICKEREL
 SAILFISH
 SALMON
 SAUHT
 PERMIT
 SEAL
 SEAWOLF

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

AT ALBANY)
 SWAPPER)
 SEADRAAGON) At Albany
 SCULPIN)
 SARGO)
 SEARAVEN)
 SWORDFISH) At Fremantle
 STURGEON)
 K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch submarine

3* BAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

10 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" Cruiser (en route Japan)
 3 - 8" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 54 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

Bali

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battle ships

Effective

MISSISSIPPI (8-16")
 MARYLAND (8-16")
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
 NEW MEXICO (12-14")
 IDAHO (12-14")
 TENNESSEE (12-14")
 PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")

Refitting or Repairing

8" Cruisers

SAN FRANCISCO

6" Cruisers

LOUISVILLE

DETROIT

HELENA

ST. LOUIS

RALEIGH

BOISE

Destroyers

25 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

9 aircraft carriers

KAGA)
 HIRYUTSU)
 3) RYO) Home Waters
 AKAGI)
 RYUJO)
 HOSHO)
 KORYU ?)
 SHOKAKU (damaged))
 ZUIKAKU)) En route Japan

Enemy Forces (Contd.)

- 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 30 Destroyers
- 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

- 1 aircraft carrier (MZUIKAKIJW - en route Japan)
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMOJ" "FUJIKAWA MAJU")
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron, 1st Air Corps, C.Q. Chitose Air Squadron
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

A.M.C.s

- A/C Tender
- S/p Tender
- Approx 25 Destroyers

Effective

- HOF&KE
- ENTERPRISE
- YORKTOWN
- NORTHAMPTON
- SALT LAKE CITY
- VINCENNES
- PENSACOLA
- MINNEAPOLIS
- NEW ORLEANS
- ASTORIA
- CHESTER
- PORTLAND
- NASHEVILLE
- RICHMOND
- MILWAUKEE
- LEANDER
- ACHILLES
- HONOLULU
- CONCORD
- TRENTON
- ATLANTA
- ASCANIA
- MONONAI
- KANIMBIA
- MANOORA
- SWAN
- ~~THE~~ GIER

Refitting or Repairing

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

F) INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAN AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battle ships

Effective

- WARSPITE
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAMILLIES
- ROYAL SOVEREIGN
- VALIANT

Refitting or Repairing

British & Allied Forces (Contd.)

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
8" Cruiser	6	1
6" Cruisers	1	1
	CALEDON	
	DRAGON	
	ENTERPRISE	
	EMERALD	
	CERES	
	DURBAN	
	BIRMINGHAM	
	GLASGOW	
	COLOMBO	
	CAPETOWN	
	NEWCASTLE	
	DANAS	
	DAUNTLESS	
A.f.k.C#'s	WORCESTERSHIRE	
	HECTOR	
	RANCHI	
	CORFU	
	ALAUNIA	
A.A. Vessels	HEEMSKERCK	
	CARLISLE	
Destroyers	25 (approx)	
Submarines	7 (approx)	

Enemy Forces

3 - 6" Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines
C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY REPORT CIVILIAN - PACIFIC & INDIAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

18th May, 1942

1. SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREAA) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

(1) Task Group 15.3 disposed as follows - "HENLEY" for Sydney

"AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ at Brisbane. To depart today with
 "O'HAGAN" & "PERKINS" fit Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days)
 EOC 130 25/5

- (ii) "XBPIAUF" "OLIS" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu B.T.A. 21/5. Later to proceed Pearl Harbour.
- (iii) "BAKKS8" & "BUUSIR" arrived Melbourne from Adelaide 0949/17. "BARKER" departed at 1510 for Tongatabu S.T.A. 24/5. "WBVLM1" & "PAU & JOHES" to depart Melbourne today for Sydney.
- (iv) "HELM" departed Noumea 14/5 for Brisbane searching for survivors of "NEOSHO" & "3IS3" en route.
- (v) "PA3BOT" & "BLACK HAWK" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. today 18/5.
- (vi) "TEOMP" "PERKINS" "ARLHDA" (Destroyers) & "ROCKHURST" "ALLENWOOD" "X4BDKA" (a/s M/3) were to return Sydney by 1600 yesterday 17/5 after searching for enemy submarine off Newcastle.
- (vii) "BALIA" "AT" escorting "KACDHUX" from Port Moresby to Townsville ran aground 42 miles south of Cape York (see Naval Incidents).
- (viii) "FARRA3BT" was to depart Brisbane 1700 yesterday 17/5 escorting "CRBWSR" (Troopship) to Noumea E.T.A. 1500/20. "CREMKR" to proceed Suva 21/5. On arrival at Noumea "FARRAOUT" assignment to Task Force 44 so terminate.
- (ix) H.M.X.S. "BOVBAY" was to depart Sydney p.m. yesterday 17/5 for exercises in Broken Bay, returning 26/5.
- (x) "MIR" & "CRSN SOCK" after escorting "KANAKA" to vicinity of Port Moresby were to disperse yesterday 17/5 and proceed independently to Townsville.
- (xi) "ARTJETA" at Sydney. Expected to depart today 18/5 with "TROMP" to accompany 5 merchant ships en route Port Moresby via Townsville to a position approx 100 miles P.N.E. from Rockhampton where "ARUNTA" & "TROMP" will be relieved by 2 a/s vessels from Townsville and will return to Sydney.
- (xii) "AL35Y" arrived Brisbane from Melbourne 1220/17.
- (xiii) "RCCKK" "KPTOB" returned to Sydney 1230 yesterday 17/5.
- (xiv) "SARRMAMSOOL" escorting "MBLXMA" from Darwin to Thursday Island was due 1130 yesterday 17/5.
- (xv) At Sydney - "WESFRALIA" "TROMP" "ASUNTA" "AHKFOO" "ABRABAW" "YNSSEK" "K.9" "K.12H" "WANGNELLA"
 Refitting - "CHICAGO" & "PPRNINS" (ETD 25/4) "AIKLAIDE" "CANBERRA" "LK TRTOM/HANT" "9.B.PKESFOV" "VICTORIA"
- (xvi) At Melbourne - "MPIHO" "0"
 Repairing - "VBBKETTA"
- (xvii) At Brisbane - "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" "HENLEY" "ORXFFIN" "TULSA" "ATREBS" "AL3EY" Repairing "WALKE" (ETD 28/5)
- (xviii) For submarine in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (i) An unidentified vessel using searchlights was seen off Marau Is. (off San Christov&l Island) at 0300L/18, remaining there until a 7.97 Ftawarisi four-engined Flying Boat passed over at 0500L/36, when the vessel proceeded towards Makira Bay, 8 miles further north.
- (ii) Naval Intelligence reports 16/5 that enemy patrol boats are active in the Bougainville area.
- (iii) A native report confirms that 9 vessels were sunk recently in the East Guadalcanal Island area, and states that there were only 2 survivors from the three transports which were sunk.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

- (1) "PHOENIX" & "VGYAGEK" departed Fremantle 1500 yesterday 17/5 with
 "HOLBROOK" & "ROUSSEL" from Convoy 3U4, for
 Adelaide. "DUNT OOB" was delayed by engine trouble and will join

Convoy a.a. today 18/S. On reaching Longitude 120°, "VOXAOTH" is to be detached and return Fremantle. At longitude 130° "HOE8IX" is to disperse convoy and return Fremantle. Thraa vessels from convoy are to proceed independently to Adelaide.

- (ii) "TUCKKK" & "mmmm" en route Fremantle to Melbourne R.T.A. p.m. 21/5.
- (iii) "STUAKY" en route Adelaide to Fremantle S.T.A. 1700/19.
- (iv) "FKMLJOTOS" en route Adelaide to Albany E.T.A. 1418/20.
- (v) "9CFHia>S5" en route Exaoutfa Gulf via Geraldton.
- (vi) At Fremantle - "OTVS" "K.8" "CHIFUH" (see appendix) "QOWWHAB" (Store Ship) "mtim mnta" (other) "pomjab"
- (vii) At Albany - "HOLLASE" (see appendix) V.S.Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIFFOOR?? XLIL"
- (viii) Sharks Bay - O. & Seaplane Tender "H ROBw"
- (ix) At Geraldton - "LAHAKAI" (0.5. auxiliary).
- (x) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST CHINESE - ?BILXPPIMES

British and Allied Forces

They are on patrol stations in China sea or M.K.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

Allied aircraft over Koepang Harbour at 1645/17 sighted 5 merchant vessels (one of 5,000 tons, one of 5,000 tons, 2 of 4,000 tons and one of 6,000 tons) with small barges. One small ship of 500 tons was sighted in a small bay near Kaibane Island, off the East Coast of Semoe Island.

B) C MYKAL PACIFIC fMA

British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

Enemy Forces

- (i) "Trul? Araa" - There are indications that the remaining light cruisers of Cruiser Division 16 ("TASHXMA" "TISiiYU" "STATSYAH") are possibly returning to task from New Britain - Solomons area. One possibly two of these units are believed sunk in recent operations.
- (ii) There are indications that the remaining cruisers of Cruiser Division 6 are to return from the New Britain area to Japan for docking and will be due back in mid-June.
- (iii) There are indications of an enemy concentration in the Salgan - Bonins - Japan area.

C) SOUTH PACIFIC AKKA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 15 (aircraft carriers "HORHE" "BITBHPRIES, heavy cruisers "BO? THAMPTON" "VIHCEMES" "BMIMMEAH>LXS" "Mm OBLEAHS", light cruiser "TASHSVILLI" and destroyers) is operating in the Noumea - New Hebrides area.
- (ii) "SALT LAKE CITY" en route Bourne E.T.A. 19/5.
- (iii) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (iv) "ATLANTA" (light cruiser) "BAISOT" (ammunition ship) "DALE" (destroyer) and "KA3XA3KXA" (Oiler) en route from Pearl Harbour to join Task Force 16.
- (v) "KAUHI-SLA" has been ordered to proceed direct from Tongatabu to Auckland.
- (vi) "HMO>OV?AI" departed Suva 0801/17 for Auckland F.T.A. a.a. 20/5.
- (vii) "ASCAHIA" departed Suva for Auckland 1418/17 E.T.A. a.a. 21/5.
- (viii) "OHEVRBT?IL" (Free French Sloop) arrived Salpote Island from Auckland 1825/17.
- (ix) "mnt'swmm" A "hnmimh" (Minediv 2) at Tongatabu.
- (x) "hmmmm" "MOMOOKAX" (Destroyers) fr "CIMMAHBOS" It "i%ATTE" (Oilers) departed Suva 9837 yesterday 17/5. destination unknown.
- (xi) "CH&BMEX" (Destroyer) & "RX0@>" (Destroyer Tender) arrived Auckland 1705/18.
- (xii) "HAHOG8A" & "KILMTRA" departed Noumea 2550/18 for Vila. On completion of disembarkation of evacuees at Vila, "MASQORA" & "TALDfiiA" are to proceed to Monseaj; "SILCASHIA" is to escort "HMMOQRA" thence to Sydney via Norfolk Island. "HIX&UTIAw" to remain at Houses.
- (xiii) At Noumea - "MAHAH" "?LATTE" "WILOAHNIA" "KELONG" "MiiL3jPCALK" "EMENKTO" "BWMOAtEK"
- (xiv) At Vila - "EASSOR" "ACHILLES" "wfilFPLI" "ALBKH"

Enemy Forces (809 Appendix)

Ufausu - detain Is. - C In C ?selfie reports 16/8 that the proposed MMQT occupation of Ucean Island and Nauru has been postponed indefinitely and that the occupation force is withdrawing to Truk.

D) WRITEd? PACIFIC AHRA

E) SOUTH BASJLih PACIFIC AREA

F) XSDXA? PCKAN

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(1) "TRINI JY" 'en vaufca' Alfca>y to Abadan E. P.A. 4/6.

2. SAVAL ISGXDKKTA

(1) U.S.A.S. "BALLAVAT" en route port Moresby to Townsville reported at 2500/17 that she had run aground in a position 11°20'S, 142°51'E (approx 42 miles south by east of Cape York). She later reported that her main engines could be used but that she was just afloat aft, in rough weather, and required immediate towing assistance.

3. JBHSMY*3 mOddUbb MEXT. WOVE

- (1) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands including seaplane base at fulltgl.*
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider Activity in Central and South West Pacific areas.

MAVAL I:ciF:KKTS (Contd.)

(11) WKffOASTLE - further to the report of the submarine attack on the Soviet vessel "WELISS", the Master reported on arrival at Newcastle that the submarine had opened fire at 2020/X6 at 100 yards range. Total of 7 rounds was fired at the ship, first from starboard quarter, then port quarter. "WKLENT" returned fire with her low angle and machine guns and claims hits with the latter. After the 7th round the submarine submerged. Slight damage was caused to the ship and three members of the crew including the Captain and one Officer were slightly wounded. The Master states that the submarine appeared approx 200 ft. long.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & ISLAND OCEAN AREA ACTIVITY

18/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA DIVISION
British and Allied Forces
Thru Sea

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Flotilla Leaders

*TJS AUSTRALIA
HOBART
INDIAHAPOLIS
ABUKTA

CHICAGO - ETD 25/5
CARRERA
ADELAIDE
L3 TRIOSIPHAM

Destroyers

FROMF
FARNAUT
HURLEY
HELM

VSHDSTTA
WALKS - ETD 20/5
P-27K2MS - ETD 25/5

Submarines

3JLMFR
BARKER
PAUL JONES
PARROTT

S*47 }
S.38 }
S.42 }
S.44 } On Patrol
S.39 }
S.40 }
S.41 }
S.43 }

Dutch Submarines

S#45 }
3.46 } En route Townsville for repairs
S.37 } At Brisbane {ETA 18/5
X.9 }
K.15 } At Sydney

A.M.C.

WESTRALIA

S/F Tenders

W.3.PRESTON

Submarine Tender

SIFFPIH

Destroyer Tender

SLACK RAW

Gunboat

TOLSA

Enemy Forces

New-Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

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2* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

S* Cruiser
Flotilla Leader
Destroyers

PEG FIX
STUART
TUCKER (En route Melbourne*)

A.M.C.

SOYAM

S/? Tenders

CHITRAL

Submarine Tenders

CHILDS

A/C Tender

RERON

OTUS

HOLLAUD
WRIGHT (En route Melbourne)

Submarines

→20
On Patrol
 PORPOISE
 SPMFIBH
 SKIPJACK
 PICKEREL
 SAILFISH
 SALMOR
 SAURY
 PERMIT
 SFTAWOLP

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols
 HINDRAY 7
 SHAPPSR)
 SEADHOOH) At Albany
 SCTLPIM 5
 SARGO)
 SARAYSW)
 SWORDFISH) At Fremantle
 STURGWOH)
 K*8 At Fremantle

Dutest Submarine

3. BAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES
British and Allied Forces
 10 Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or R.S.I.* area (see above)

Enemy Forces
 1 - 8W Cruiser (en route Japan)
 3 - 6" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

Timor
 Approximately 54 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

Ball
 Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers.

- B) CSKTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied forces
Battleships

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

Destroyers
Submarines

Effective	Refitting or Repairing
COLOMADO (8-16")	-----
MARYLAND (8-16")	
MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
NEW MEXICO (12-14")	
IDAHO (12-14")	
TEXAS (12-14")	
PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	
SAR PRAWCISCO	
LODISVILLE	
DETROIT	HSLKNA
ST. LOUIS	RALEIOH
BOSTON	
25 (approx)	
23 (approx)	

Enemy Forces
Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan
 Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships
 9 Aircraft Carriers

KAOA)
 HIRYU)
 SORYU) Home Waters
 ASAGI)
 RYUDO)
 HOSHU)
 IORYU ?
 SHOKAKU (damaged)
 ZUIKAKO) En route Japan

Enemy Forces (Contd)

- 4 - 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 50 Destroyers
- 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Yruk Area

- 1 Aircraft carrier ("2&XKASO" * en route Japan)
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAJSOI" "FUJIKAWA MARI")
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion Yokohama Plying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron
- 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 50 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Aircraft Carrier 3 HONOLULU

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

A: 11 C: 18

a/c Tender

S/P Tender

Approx 25 Destroyers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

- ENTERPRISE
- YORKTOWN
- NORTHAMPTON
- SALT LAKE CITY
- VINCENNES
- PENSACOLA
- MINNAPOLIS
- MEW ORLEANS
- ASTORIA
- CHESTER
- PORTLAND
- MASHWILLE
- RICHMOND
- LEANDER
- ACHILLAS
- HONOLULU
- CONCORD
- TRINITY
- ATLANTA
- ASCAHIA
- MONOWAI
- KAHIMSLA
- MANOORA
- SWAN
- TANOR

D) NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

- WARSPITE
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAMILLIUS
- ROYAL SQUADRON
- VALIANT

British and Allied Forces (Contd.)

Zeffektivs

Refitting or Regal ring

9" Cruiser
6" Cruisers

GEORGIOS AVROFF (one)
CALMOM
DRAGOS
SITFRPRIIW
EKKRALD
CHRIS
OURBAN
BIRMISfSIAM
GLASGOW
COLOMBO
CAPBTOWW
83WCASTU?
DAHAK
DATITITLSS

A.M.C. »a

WOEICSSTHISSRTRV
HECTOR
RANCHI
CORFU
ALAITHIA

A.A. Vessels

BSSMSKKRCK
CARLISLE

Destroyers
Submarines

25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Malaya Forces

3 - 6" Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines
6 in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

19th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITION ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERS PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) "MISSAVAL" "ROBERT" & "HENLEY" at Brisbane.

(ii) "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) E.T.D. 28/8.

(iii) "CANBERRA" engaged in working up exercises en route Sydney to Melbourne F.T.A. 2300/19.

(iv) "HELM" was ordered to discontinue searching at 1900/18 and proceed Brisbane arriving at daylight today 19/8.

(v) "BARKER" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. 24/8.

(vi) "BULMER" & "PAUL JONES" departed Melbourne 1321/18 for Sydney E.T.A. 0800/20.

(vii) "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" arrived Melbourne from Fremantle 1501/18. E.T.D. 21/8.

(viii) "ARUNTA" "TROMP" "ROCKHAMPTON" & "BOMBAY" escorting Convoy ZRS (4 troopships) departed Sydney 1530/18 en route Port Moresby, via Townsville.

(ix) "BALLARAT" is still aground approx 42 miles south of Cape York. "TOWNSVILLE" E.T.A. Thursday Is. 1730 today 19/8 is to proceed thence to her assistance.

(x) "S. DAN" & "CESSNOCK" en route Port Moresby to Townsville E.T.A. 2000/19 and 1200/19 respectively.

(xi) "BENDIGO" departed Townsville 1100/17 to R.V. with S.46 and escort to Townsville.

(xii) "ROOK L. SCOTT" (U.S.M.T.) departed Adelaide 1218/17 for Sydney.

(xiii) At Sydney - "WESTRALIA" "BARFOO" "ABRAHAM CHRISTENSEN" "K.9" "K.12" "WANDAWIRIA"
 Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LE TRIOMPHANT" "W.H. PRESTON" "VICTORIA"

(xiv) At Melbourne - "PINGWO"
 Repairing - "VENDETTA"

(xv) At Brisbane - "ORIFFIN" "TULSA" "ATREUS" "ALSKY"
 Repairing - "WALKS" (ETD 28/8)

(xvi) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(i) Solomons - Two light cruisers were reported off Cape Marsh (Pavuvu Is. - 60 miles W. of Tulagi) at 1800/17.

At 0630/18 one large transport and one destroyer were anchored off Gaxutu Wharf (W. Coast of Florida Is.).

(ii) Keelang - One M.V. (12,000 tons), one M.V. (8,000 tons), one M.V. (2,000 tons) one possible destroyer in Keelang Harbour and one merchant vessel (2,000 tons) off Wainibia at 1100/18. A submarine was also sighted at 1100 in position 10°30'S, 124°00'E (82 miles N.E. of Keelang).

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

(i) "PHOENIX" & "WYVAFER" escorting Convoy SU4 ("HOLBROOK" "PUNTRON" "FFLIX ROUSSHL") en route Fremantle to Adelaide. On reaching Longitude 120° E, "VGYAER" is to be detached and return Fremantle E.T.A. 1615/20. At longitude 130° "PHOENIX" is to disperse Convoy and return Fremantle. Three vessels from convoy are to proceed independently to Adelaide.

(ii) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. p.m. 21/8.

(iii) "STUAKT" en route Adelaide to Fremantle E.T.A. 1700 today 19/8.

(iv) "GERALDTON" en route Adelaide to Albany E.T.A. 1415/20.

(v) "CHILDS" at Exmouth Gulf.

(vi) "LANAKAT" en route Geraldton to Fremantle.

(vii) "WARRNAMBOOL" departed Darwin 17/8 escorting "MAKO" to Thursday Is. E.T.A. 1330/22, thence Cairns.

(viii) At Fremantle - "OTUS" "K.8" "CHITRAL" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (store ship) "KRLING BROWIE" (Oiler) "PENJAB"

(ix) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S.M. minesweeper "LARK"
 "vml FFOORWILL"

(x) Shark Bay - U.S. Seaplane Tender "HKKOW"
 (#) For submarines in Western Ocean - see Appendix.

3. HAST IDDXKS - PHILIPPINES
British and Allied Forces
 Ten submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or B.F.I. area - see Appendix.

Enemy Foresa (See Appendix)

T/T Kosang - The following enemy shipping was reported by allied air reconnaissance yesterday 16/5, following the sighting of five merchant vessels with smaller craft in the Koeang area on 17/5 -

One SUV. (12,000 tons), one S.S.V. (6,000 tons), one M.V. (2,000 tons) one possible destroyer in Koepang Harbour, and one Merchant vessel (2,000 tons) off Mandisi at 1145/18.

One submarine in position 10°30'N, 124°22'E (52 miles E. J.E. of Kosang) at 1100.

B) CIMTKAL AQIWIIC AURA

Soborv "Cruiser"

There are indications that all cruisers have now departed from the New Britain area en route further north leaving merely destroyers, gunboats, submarines and aircraft as a striking force in that area.

G) S&STMS PhGPIG AKKh

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "MUNDO" "ENTERPRISE", heavy cruisers "HAMPDEN" "VINCENNES" "SEATTLE" "HUORLEANS", light cruiser "SASHEVILLE" and destroyers) is operating in the New Hebrides - Fiji area.

(ii) "SALT LACK CISE" ft "FEE33EB" en route Noumea P.T.A. today 14/5. After fuelling to proceed Brisbane.

(iii) "FAHHAUUR" escorting "MCHISER" (troopship) en route Brisbane to Noumea E.T.A. 1500/20. Thence Suva E.T.A. 21/5.

(iv) Task Force 17 in Yonfatabu area.

(v) "ATLANTA" (light cruiser) "ALBATROSS" (auxiliary ship) "DALE" (destroyer) and "EASKASKIA" (Oiler) en route from Pearl Harbour to join Task Force 16, will R.V. at daylight today 19/5.

(vi) "ISBIAAPCXLS" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu K.T.A. 21/5. Later to proceed Pearl Harbour.

(vii) "SAMIMBLA" en route Tongatabu to Auckland.

(viii) "WINDWARD" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. a.m. 20/5.

(ix) "ACAJIA" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. a.m. 21/5.

(x) "SHEPHERD" & "MIMIRA" (Destroyers) & "CIMAKEON" & "PLATON" (Oilers) departed Noumea 17/5 to R.V. with Task Force 16 at 0900/18.

(xi) "MIMIRA" & "MIMIRA" departed Noumea 16/5 for Vila. On completion of embarkation of evacuees at Vila, "SAHGGIA" & "MIMIRA" are to proceed to Boushes. "WILAHMXA" is to escort "MHOQWL" 100 miles thence en route Sydney via Norfolk Island.

(xii) "OIKLOMO" en route Noumea to Sydney for repairs. E.T.A. 0600/23.

(xiii) At Noumea - "JUUBAI" "WILGASKIA" "FISHOPBALE" "MERKUR" "BUNQAIJSE" "E.J. HENRY"

(xiv) At Vila - "WFAHBER" "ACHILLES" "WHIPPL32" "ALDKN"

(xv) At Tongatabu - "V.P. FOKI3" "J.D. EDWARDS" "Minediv 2 (HAWKINS)" "AORTOOMEKX"

(xvi) At Auckland - "ORIBLEY" "RIGKL"

(xvii) At Walpole Is. - "CHEVRON"

15) hqrthfse pacific area

K) 30HTH gA3TBKK PACTFXC AhBA

British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

P) IBPIAK OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

(i) "HAWKINS" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.

Knsjay Forces - Haider activity

There is evidence that the Haider VEW was responsible for the attack on the "KANKIN" approx 1300 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5.

Raider B is a converted modern fruit ship of approx 4,000 tons and

has been one of the most successful of enemy raiders. She was operating in the Atlantic during 1940 and returned to Germany in April 1941. More recently she is believed to have been operating in the South Atlantic. This raider is believed to mount probably 8 - 5.9" guns, 4 torpedo tubes, fitted for minelaying and carries a seaplane.

This raider could now be well on the Australia station.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

(i) Cape York - H.M.A.8. "BALLARAT" is still grounded in position $11^{\circ}20'S, 142^{\circ}51'E$ (42 miles south of Cape York). "MULIASHA" at high water yesterday 18/5 unsuccessfully attempted to tow her off, and it is proposed to make another attempt at 1200 today 19/5. Permission has been granted to jettison depth charges and heavy stores, and oil fuel and fresh waters are to be reduced to a minimum. "TOXhSVIhLM" en route Thursday 1a, was ordered at 1552/18 to proceed with despatch and render assistance.

(ii) Keppel? - Starting an attack on enemy shipping in Keppang area yesterday 18/t, 2 direct hits were made on a transport of approx 3,000 tons, and possible hits on another of 6,000 tons*.

3. EFFICIENT PROBABLY NEXT WORK

- (i) Attack on 0*9. Bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands including seaplane base at Tulfeji*.
- (iv) Attack on fort Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific areas.

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DAILY APPPKCIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

19/5/42

A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERS AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces
Cruisers

Effective
AUSITULIA
HOBART

Refitting or Repairing
CHICAGO - "Sfe" 25/6
CANBERRA
ADELAIDE
LE TKIOKIJIHT

Flotilla Leaders

ARUMTA
TROMP

Destroyers

~~mmhxy~~
HELM
BULMES
BAFUSS
PAUL JOWES
PARROTT

VENDETTA
WALKE - ETD 2S/5
FERKIKS

Submarines

3.47)
3.38)
3.42)
3.44)
3.39) On Patrol
3.40)
3.41)
5.43)
3.45)

Dutch Submarines

3.46 At Townsville for repairs
3.37 At Brisbane
K.9) At Sydney
K.12)

A.S.#

WESTHALIA

S/P Tender

W.g.PHB3TOH

Submarine Tender

GRIPPIH

Destroyer Tender

BLACK HAWK

Gunboat

TULSA

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

1 - 5.5 FT Cruiser

Approx 12 Destroyers

33 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Away Transports

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders (KAMIIAWA UABU* "KEKJG MRU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 107 shore-based aircraft including probably 31 fighters, 42 heavy bombers, 10 flying boats and 10 float planes.

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

S/Cra/Wer

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Flotilla Leader

~~pwmxlx~~
STUART

Destroyers

TOCHBS (en route Melbourne)

VOYAGER

A.M.C.

CHITRAL

S/P tenders

CHILDS

HEROS

Submarine Tenders

OTDS

HOLLAND

A/C Tender

WRIGHT (en route Melbourne)

Submarine

On Patrol

- 70h?m?
- 3PEARF13H
- SIOFJACK
- BICKEKKL
- SAK.FISH
- SALMQ*
- salmx
- PERMIT
- SPAIFOLF

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

- STIKORAY)
- 3NAPPRH)
- 3EADHAGQH) At Albany
- SCTILPIN)
- SAKOO)
- 5FABAVFH)
- 88CSBF13H) At Fremantle
- 3TIBGJZOI)
- K.a At Fremantle

Patch Submarine

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

With the Allied Forces

10 Marines on patrol at & tions in China Sea or N«S«X» area (see above)

Enemy Forces

- 1 " 8" "Thalser (to return Japan)
- 3 - 6* Cruisers
- 12 Destroyers
- Several Seaplane Carriers
- C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 54 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

With the Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

- COLOHADO (8-116")
- mmwv* (a-1c*)
- MZ33X S31PPX (12-114")
- HIW MEXICO (12-14**)
- IDAHO (12-14**)
- TENNESSES (12-14")
- PSNNSTLVANIA (12-114")

Refitting or Rearming:

8" Cruisers

SAN FRANCISCO

6" Cruisers

LOUISIANA

DETROIT

HELENA

ST. LOUIS

RALEIGH

BOI

Destroyers

28 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonina - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

9 Aircraft Carriers

- KADA)
- HIRYU)
- SOMER) Home Area
- AKAOI)
- RYUJO)
- HOSHO)
- KORYU ?)
- SHOKAKU (damaged) } En route Japan
- ZIHAKU }

Enemy Forces (Contd.)

- 8" Cruisers
- 2 - CW Cruisers
- 30 Destroyers
- SC Submarines

Mandated Islands

Trust Area

- 1 aircraft carrier ("ZUIKMU" * en route Japan)
- 4 heavy cruisers
- 2 light cruisers
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders {"KAMMI" "FUJIKAWA MARU"}
- Seise units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Maratolls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/J Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/E Squadron,
1st Air Corps, O.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- Air Tenders and facilities
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOQTHSB* PACIFIC AREA

British Air and Air Forces
Aircraft Carriers

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

A.M.C.s

A/C Tender
S/p tender
Approx 25 Destroyers

Effective

- ENTERPRISE
- YMKSMX
- HOMPHAMPTON
- SALT LAKE CITY
- YIKCESKE3
- PEHSACOLA
- MINNEAPOLIS
- HIW ORLEANS
- ASTOKIA
- CHESTER
- INDIANA
- INDIANA POLIS
- EASREVRI.US
- NIICWOM
- ACHILLES
- HOMO&BUJ
- ATLAKTA
- ASCANIA
- MOKOPAX
- KAIMBIA
- MASOGRA
- M.F.
- TOCH5Q

Refitting or Repairing

C) British Pacific Area

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
6" Cruisers

Effective

- AM 9AUGO
- CQCQRD
- TRENTOF

Refitting or Repairing

F) SIPIAN OUTPAT - U.M.I.Y.A.N. AUSA
Irish and Allied Fore##
To: C.I.H.p.a. - - - - -

Refitting or Repairing

8" Cruises*
Q" Cruisers

Effective
WeIVg^TTF
RESOLUTION
REVPI5GE
RAMILLES
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
VALIANT
OKORGIOS AVKROFF (Greek)
CALEDON

A: M: C. k

mAGKMt
ENTERPRISE
RMFHALD
CERES
DURBAN
BIRMINGHAM
GLASGOW
C6L6m^6
CAPETOWN
NEWCASTLE
DANAS
D^J8T^SSS
WORCEST^SSHIKE

A.A. Vessels

HECTOR
RANCHI
CORFU
ALAONIA
HESHKKRCX

Destroyers
Submarines

CARLISLE
85 (epprox)
7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

U^r of aTiliPis

16 Destroyers
50 Subsrines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY ASSOCIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

20th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & BRITISH NAVAL FORCESA) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA1. BRITISH AND ALLIED FORCES

- (i) "AUSTRALIA" "HOBART" & "RANLIS" at Brisbane;
- (ii) "SALT LAKE CITY" & "FEEBSEF" en route Brisbane from Noumea.
- (iii) "CHICAGO" & "PEMIHS" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) E.T.D. 25/5.
- (iv) "CANBERRA" engaged in working up exercises was to anchor off Morningside at 2300 yesterday 19/5.
- (v) "WHEAT" with three survivors of "SH08HO" on board was due to arrive Brisbane yesterday 19/5.
- (vi) "BULKS" & "PAVJ, JOKES" en route Melbourne to Sydney E.T.A. 0800 today 20/5.
- (vii) "PAHOTS" & "BLACK RAJA" at Melbourne B.T.B. 21/5.
- (viii) "ARUNTA" "TIOMP" & "BOMBAX" escorting Convoy ZKB (4 troopships) en route Sydney to Townsville, will be relieved by two A/S vessels from Townsville 100 miles E.M.S. of Townsville and will return Sydney. Convoy will continue to Port Moresby.
- (ix) "ROCKHAMPTON" was due to return Sydney from escorting ZK&, at 0700 today 20/5.
- (x) "T&OOR" & "WRIGHT" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. pm 21/5.
- (xi) "SWAM" & "CRSSHOCK" were due to arrive Townsville yesterday 19/5.
- (xii) "BEJIRI" & "COLAG" escorting H.T. "TAROOBA" & "CANBERRA" departed Townsville 0669/19 for Port Moresby E.T.A. 1600/21.
- (xiii) At Sydney - "ESTRALIA" "VAIRJITVO" "ABRAHAM CRYKSSEH" "K.9" "X.12" "SARAGANELLA"
Refitting - "AI/ELAIDE" "LE TRIOMPBAHT" "W.S. PRESTOS" "VICTORIA"
- (xiv) At Melbourne - "PINGVO"
Repairing - "VKNBETTA"
- (xv) At Brisbane - "ORIFFIB" "WTUL3A" "ATHEC3" "ALSFY"
Repairing - "WALK" (ETD 28/5)
- (xvi) For submarines in Eastern sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (I) New Britain - There are indications that Dampier Strait (between Unbol Is. and the western tip of New Britain) is used by enemy supply ships and small warships proceeding from Rabaul to Salamaua - Lae.
- (II) Rabaul - A tanker of 3,000 tons was observed at 1050 yesterday 19/5 by air reconnaissance, 70 miles west of Rabaul proceeding on a course of 250°, speed 8 knots.

2. BRITISH AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

- TTPH... ANVOY SU4 ("HOLBROOK" "DUSTROON" "FELIX ROUSSEL") en route Fremantle to Adelaide. At Longitude 130° "PHOENIX" is to disperse Convoy and return Fremantle. Convoy proceeding independently to Adelaide.
- (i) "VOYAOEE" is returning to Fremantle from escort duty with SU4. E.T.A. 1515 today 20/5.
- (ii) "CHITRC" departed Fremantle 1540/19 for Mauritius E.T.A. 1100/28.
- (iv) "STUART" arrived Fremantle 1650 yesterday 19/5.
- (v) "GERRARD" en route Adelaide to Albany E.T.A. 1415 today 20/5.
- (vi) "CHILDS" at Farewell Gulf.
- (vii) "LARAKAI" en route Geraldton to Fremantle.
- (viii) "HEROS" en route Fremantle from Shark's Bay.
- (ix) "SARRNAHQOOL" escorting "MAKO" en route Darwin to Thursday Is. E.T.A. 1530/22, thence Cairns.
- (x) At Fremantle - "OASUS" "K.8" "STOART" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "FRLING BFOVIG" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUKJAB"
- (xi) At Albany - "BOLLAMB" (see appendix) S.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "HIPPOOR" "YILL"

(x) For submarines in Western sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIAN - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Enemy submarines on patrol stations in China Sea of J.I.L. area - (see appendix).

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

Ambon - Air reconnaissance 19/5 reported 2 merchant vessels (4,000 and 15,000 tons) in Ambon Bay.

B) OSMTHAL ?%CIPIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (see Appendix)

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

C) SOOTHER?% AGIPIQ AKIA

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Force 16 (aircraft carriers "BORHET" "ESTERPRISE", heavy cruiser "NORTHAMPTON" "VISCENNES" "MINNEAPOLIS" "MFW OKLEANS" with destroyers and tankers).

(ii) "INDIASAPOLIS" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. 31/5. Later to proceed Pearl Harbour.

(iii) "BAEF2H" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. 24/5.

(iv) "FAX&AOW" escorting "AREMEB" (troopship) en route Brisbane to Noumea E.T.A. 1500 today 20/5. Thence Suva E.T.A. 21/5.

(v) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.

(vi) "QBQ%ATH" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. a.m. 20/5.

(vii) "ASCAMXA" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. a.m. 21/5.

(viii) "XAMMBLA" en route Tongatabu to Auckland.

(ix) "SABOOKA" A "KILBTJA" departed Noumea 16/5 for Vila. On completion of embarkation of evacuees at Vila, "JMIOITA" & "JHJWA" are to proceed to Noumea E.T.A. 1500/21. "MAHOHA" to proceed thence to Norfolk Is. E.T.A. 0800/22 and thence Sydney E.T.A. 0600/25. "BILCAMHXA" is to escort "HALFOHA" 100 miles from Noumea and then return.

(x) "CHE7RE9XL" departed Noumea 1644/19 for Walpole Is. and will return Koroia & m. 21/5.

(xi) "LAMSON" arrived Suva 0830/17.

(xii) "ERBDXTH" departed Noumea 1306/18, destination unknown.

(xiii) "JFUQGRJ&" arrived Tongatabu 17/5.

(xiv) "GRIDLET" en route Auckland to Tongatabu.

(xv) "OHELOBG" en route Noumea to Sydney for repairs E.T.A. 0600/23.

(xvi) At Noumea - "WILCANNIA" "BI5ROPDALE" "I4VHKUR" "BUBOAREE"

(xvii) At Vila - "LEHSIR" "ACHILLES" "TOPPLE" "ALESM"

(xviii) At Tongatabu - "J.D.FORB" "J.T.P.H.AHDS" Minediv 2 ("SAY" "FOKKMET")

(xix) At Auckland - "RIGHL"

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

K) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

Enemy Forces

An enemy submarine was reported 100 miles S.W. of Galapagos Is. on 17/5.

P) IKWAM OCFAK

British and Allied Forces

(i) "PITTY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/5.

Enemy Forces

German Raider Activity - Further to the report of the German Haider E. at Hing "NANKIN" 1360 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5, Admiralty have reported that D/F hearing indicated the presence of a German raider within 600 miles of a position 1310 miles S.W. of North of Fremantle at 0500/5.

The merchant vessel "MCLSFRA" reported on arrival Fremantle receiving "NANKIN" distress signals on 10/5 and also hearing continuous carrier wave on the afternoons of May 10, 11, 14, 16, 17 suggesting the homing of the raider's aircraft.

2. NAVY INCIDENTS

Cape York - H. M. A. 3. "BALLAKAT" is still aground approx 42 miles south 23r°c°TS° York. "TOWN VIXE" is now with "SAI&ABAT" and not yet succeeded in tossing off. **

3. ENEMY'S OR AHLK IIBXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on I.3* bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands including seaplane base# at Fudlagl*.
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific areas.

A P P E N D I X

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

EO/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC (S&A)

1. KASTS OF AUSTRIA & IA SECTOR
British and Allied forces
Cruisers

Flotilla Leaders

Destroyers

Submarines

Dutch Submarines

A.M.C.
S/P Tender
A/C Tender
Submarine Tender
Destroyer Tender
Gunboat

Effective
AUSTRALIA
IN HAND

ARUHTA
TROMP
HENLEY
HELM
BULMER
TUCKER
PAUL JQW&B
PARSDIFF

S.47
S.38
S.42
S.44
S.39
S.40
S.41
S.43
S.45
S.46
S.37
K.9)
K.12)

WESTRALIA
WRIFBT
MIWLS
BLACK HAWK
TULSA

Refitting or Repairing
CHICAGO (STD 25/5)
CANBERRA
ADELAIDE
LE TRIOMPHANT

VENDETTA
WALKS - (STD 28/5)
PERKINS (STD 25/5)

On Patrol

At Townsville for repairs
At Brisbane

At Sydney

W. B. PRESTON

Enemy Forces

General Bulnea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solosoma Area

Approx 12 Destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("SAMIKAIYA MARU" "KEHJO MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 107 shore-based aircraft including probably 31 fighters, 42 heavy bombers, 15 flying boats and 18 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. THE AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruiser
Flotilla Leader
Destroyer
A.S.U.
S/P Tenders

Submarine Tenders

Effective
PHOENIX
STUART
VOYAGER
CRITRAL
CHILDS
HERON
CTUS
HOLLAND

Refitting or Repairing

S* Airinss

CM Patrol

SFEARPISH
SKIPJACK
PICKFISH
3AILFISH
SALMOM
SAUKY
PEHMIT
SRAITOLF
SFAT

Keoairins & Preparing for Patrols

m m m y)
SNAPPEB) At Albany
SEADRAOOM)
SCULPIM)
m m o)
m m y m)
SWORDFISH) At Fremantle
m m & m m)
K.8 At Fremantle

Butch Submarine

3. EAST IKDIES - PHILIPPINES

g g g w a d n i l i a l F o r c e s

10 Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea & H.K.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

I.F. Fleet (to return Japan)
3--6th Cruisers
12 Destroyers
Several Seaplane Carriers
C in C Third Fleet

Timor

Approximately 54 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 12 flying boats

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers.

B) GPMV BAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battleships

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Regairing</u>
	WOLMOR (8-16W)	
	JiArtYAH (8-1611)	
	MISSISSIPPI (12-14*)	-
	KiW KEXICO (12-14")	
	IDAHO (12-14*)	
	TEMN13SFE (12-14*)	
	PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	

8* Cruisers

SAK FKAKXS00
LOUISVILLE

6th Cruisers

DETROIT HELEKA
ST. LOUIS HILLEVH
BOISE

Destroyers
Submarines

25 (approx)
23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Sonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

• Aircraft Carriers

KAGA	)	SHOKARU
tiffins)	
sokjre) Home Waters	
sakaōi)	
RYUJō)	
Hqshō)	
KORYU ?)	
awmū (damaged))	En route Japan
ZTJKMU)	

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Enemy Forces (Contd.)

- 12 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 30 Destroyers
- 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Frank Area

- 1 40,000 ton carrier (22M2MM) - mt wwr - Japan)
- 4 heavy cruisers
- 2 light cruisers
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KJUSOI" "FUJIKAWA MARU")
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
- Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron,
- 1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- Air tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 5 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

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A/G Tender

S/P Tender

Approx 25 Destroyers

D) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruisers

Effective

- HORNET
- EMERSON
- YQFM
- KORTHAMPTON
- SILT LAKE CITY
- VISCEISES
- PENSACOLA
- PIKNEAPOLIS
- M/S ORLEANS
- ASTOMA
- CHRISTMAS
- POHTLAUD
- HOIATIA?QLIS
- KASHEVILUS
- AIOKMOSD
- UEANI&R
- ACS ILISS
- HCIOLULU
- ATLANTA
- ASCANIA
- AOIOWAI
- SANIMBLA
- MAKOOPA
- 3M
- TANGIER

Refitting or Repairing

- SAK BXB00
- COHCOHP
- TRENTON

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F) INDIAN OCEAN - MALAYAN ARCH

British and allied vessels
in fact ships

Effective

- HOTSPOT
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAMILLEZ
- ROYAL SOVEREIGN
- VALIANT
- GEORGIUS AYEKOFF (Greek)
- CALEPOT
- PRAGUE
- BENTERPRISE
- ESFHALP
- CERES
- PIRENE
- BIRMINGHAM
- GLASGOW
- COLOMBO
- CANTON
- NEWCASTLE
- PAHAE
- PASHMIS
- WORCESTERSHIRE
- HECTOR
- HAIPHONG
- CORFU
- ALABAMA
- HEUSKBRUX
- CARLISLE
- 25 (approx)
- 7 (approx)

Refitting or fitting

current/comm

*Indomitable
forcefully
Mushrooms*

8* Cruisers
6* Cruisers

A* G* S

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

Enemy Korea

8* "G" Cruisers
16 Destroyers
20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

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DAILY A*RFCXAI m - ZiCIFJV & XV) A3 OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

21st Feb, 1948

1. P13 POSITION ALLIED A KftST NAVAL FORC1-3A) SOUIE WESTERN PAwI'JDC A:Ja1. EA3fBRK AUSTRa-IA S-CWhBritish and allied forces

- (i) "AUSTRALIA" "ROBERT" "UMBLM" & "HENLEY" at Brisbane.
- (ii) "SALT LAKE CUT" & "FLUSSERM" en route Brisbane from Noumea B.r.A. a.Ai. 28/5.
- (iii) "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" St Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) K.T.5. 25/5.
- (iv) "CANBERRA" engaged in working up exercises in Port Phillip.
- (v) "BULMER" & "PAW. WINGS" arrived Sydney 0757/20.
- (vi) "PA&R07T" A "BLACK HATX" at Melbourne. E.T.P. 1500 today 21/5 for Sydney I.11A. 0600/23. "BLACK HAWK" to be docked at Sydney.
- (vii) "AKUKT" & "TROUP" & "BOMBAY" escorting Convoy ZK8 (4 troopships) en route Sydney to Townsville, will be relieved by two a/s vessels from Townsville 100 miles S.E. of Townsville and will return Sydney. Convoy will continue to Port Moresby.
- (viii) "ROGO" & "IPTON" arrived Sydney 0640 yesterday 21/b. Later to operate with "BOMBAY" on sleeping operations.
- (1st) "SWAI" & "CESSOCK" in Townsville area.
- (x) "TUCKER" & "IRFOHP" en route Fremantle to Melbourne E.T.A. p.m. today 21/5.
- (3d) "BBSIDOO" & "COLAC" escorting H.M.T. "TAROONAB" & "CANBERRA" en route Townsville to Port Moresby I.1.4 1600 today 21/5.
- (xi) At Sydney - "TKST" & "ALTA" "WARREGO" "ABTIAHAM CRYNSSEN" "K.9" "K.12" "WANQAN3LLA" HofitSing - "ADELAIDE" "ME TKIOMPHANT" "#.B. PRESTOJi" "VICTORIA"
- (xii) At Melbourne - "PINO" painting - "VENDETTA"
- (xiv) At Brisbane - "asiPPIN" "ULSA" "ATREUS" & "ALSEY" Repairing - "WALKE" (ETD 28/b)
- (xv) For aibmar* nes in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (see Appendix)2. WV^HRK AU.yray IA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

- (i) "PHOENIX" retarding to Fremantle from Longitude 130°.
- (ii) Convoy SU4 ("EOLBBGOE" "DVHTNOON" "FELIX ROUSSEL") proceeding to Adelaide independently after being convoyed to Long.130° by "PFOFJSIX".
- (iii) "VirYAILER" returning to Fremantle from escort duty with 3U4 was due 1515/20.
- (iv) "GERALDTON" en route Adelaide to Albany E.T.A. 0805 today 21/5.
- (v) "CFIELDS" at Cxmouth Gulf.
- (vi) "AKRON" arrived Fremantle from Sharks Bay 0943/20.
- (vii) "KRINA&HOOL" escorting "ftIAKO" en route Darwin to Thursday Is. F.~*A 1330/22, thence Cairns.
- (viii) At Fremantle - "OTUS" "K.8" "STUART" (see appendix) "OOLBSTAB" (Store SMO) "RRLINO BROVIQ" (Oiler) "HABELM" (Ounboat) "PCMJAB" "LANAKAI" "HERON"
- (ix) At Albany - "EOIX&fD" (see appendix) O.S.Minesweepers "LaRK" "WHIPPCKSaililil"
- (x) yoi> sutraarine@ In Western Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces

German Ksider "K" which attacked "NANKIN" west of Fremantle 10/5 could now be well on the Australia station.

3. EASTINDIES - PHILIPINESBritish and Allied Forces

Ten s-ifes?atines on patrol stations in China Sea or B.B.I. area - (see appendix).

Rustj Forces (See Appendix)

B) C AL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces (See appendix)

Naval Forces (See Appendix)

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

- (T) Task Force 1d (aircraft carriers "BOITNSF" "ENTERPRISE", heavy cruisers "NORTHAMPTON" "VINCENNES" "MINNEAPOLIS" "HEW OHLEAUS" with destroyers and tankers).
- (11) "INDIANAPOLIS" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. today 21/5. Later to proceed Pearl Harbour together with "McCALL".
- (111) "HAKKER" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. 24/5.
- (iv) "FARRAOT" escorting "CREHER" (troopship) en route Brisbane to Honiara arrived 1505/20. Thence Suva E.T.B. 21/0.
- (v) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (vi) "KONOVAI" was due Auckland from Suva a.m. 30/5.
- (vii) "ASCASIA" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. a.m. 21/5.
- (viii) "SAMBALAM" en route Tongatabu to Auckland.
- (ix) "MAMOORA" & "KILLHJIA" departed Noumea 16/S for Vila. On completion of embarkation of evacuees at Vila, "MANQORA" & "MILDORA" are to proceed to Noumea E.T.A. 1500 today 21/5. "MAHORA" to proceed thence to Norfolk Is. E.T.A. 0800/22 and thence Sydney F.T.A. 0800/25. "MCCANNIA" is to escort "SAHOORA" 100 miles from Noumea and then return.
- (x) "CHEVREUIL" due Noumea today 21/5 from Waiapu Is.
- (xi) At Tongatabu - "FORD" "EDWARDS" "KASKASKIA". To proceed Suva, "KASKASKIA" thence to Pearl Harbour.
- (xii) Task Force 16.9 ("TANGIER", V.P. Planes & "MEKEDITH") at Noumea. To report for duty to Lomansoupac at 1700/20/5.
- (xiii) At Vila - "ACKILLK3" "IKANPEH" "WHIPPLE" "&LDEK". "ACHILLES" to proceed Samoa to join "OBTIEJS".
- (xiv) "HONOLULU" & "MBSTIN" to depart Samoa for Pearl Harbour 0600/20/5.
- (xv) At Suva - "LAMSOJ". Later to proceed Samoa.
- (xvi) At Tongatabu ? "BICBMONC" & "BAGLSX" Minediv 2 ("RAMSAY" "HQNTOOMBR")
- (xvii) At Noumea - "FULSAWIA" "BISHOF" "SERXSE" "BUNGAREE"
- (xviii) At Auckland - "HISEFC"
- (xix) "ELOWO" en route Noumea to Sydney for repairs K.T.A. 0600/23.
- (xx) "ORIELFY" en route Auckland to Samoa K.T.A. 0400/22/5.

3) NORTH PACIFIC AREA

B) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

F) INDIAN OCEAN
British and Allied Forces

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- (I) "VALMITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/5.
- (ii) "CRITRAL" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E.T.A. 1100/38.

Naval Forces

- (I) "LIBANAWS" - Photographic reconnaissance over Port Blair on 18/5. Attached one vessel.
- (11) Raider "E" - Admiralty now state that E/F bearings reported by G.O.S. in Colombo yesterday as possibly coming from this raider in the Indian Ocean were in fact from a U-boat in off Florida (Atlantic). This means there has been no indications as to the whereabouts of Raider K following her attack on "MAUKIE" west of Fremantle on 10/5. She could now be well on the Australia station.

Naval Forces

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- (1) B.&A. 3. "BALLANAT" - An unsuccessful attempt to refloat "BALLARAT" was made between 2230 and 2400 yesterday 20/5.
- (11) Successful U.S. Submarine Attack - U.S. Submarine claims three torpedo hits on a heavy cruiser believed to be of the "ATA00" class on May 11th in a position 35 miles west of Buka. The only heavy cruisers known to have been in the area at the time were "HAGGRO" "YOKO" (10,000 tons - 8") and 3 "Aoba" - "Eagle" class cruisers (7,100 tons - 6-8").

The "Atago" Class are very similar to the "HAKOUKO" & "HYOKO" but as the latter vessels are thought to have since returned to Northern Waters and as the smaller "Eako" Class vessels have a similar but smaller silhouette, it is quite possible that the vessel hit was one of this Class.

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3. ATI? PTERATTOMS

Allied

DILLI - Four Hudsons attacked shipping in Dilli Barbour at 1630/20. The only vessels observed were a white lugger ~~gngary~~ anchored off the jetty and a small hulk on the beach. No aircraft were observed on the aerodrome.

KOKPAWS - Five B.17's attacked Koepang Aerodrome at 0800/20. Two direct hits were scored on aircraft, ten bombs on intersection of runway, four bombs in building area, several fires started. ~~to~~ opposition encountered.

Bneray

Fort Moresby - Raid No. 53 - XwStax: 12 ZeroM Fighters attacked Fort Moresby at 0750/20 but were driven off by 11 P.39's and 6 P.400 aircraft. Four enemy fighters were hit. One P.39 shot down and one P.400 damaged.

4. Em:W*S P>RO3ABLB HEXT MOVT

- (ft) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands including seaplane bases at Tulagi.
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine activity in the Central and South West Pacific areas.

APPENDIX

to

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN at FANNAVAL ACTIVITY

21/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces
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Effective
 AUSTRALIA
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Refitting or Repairing
 m W and W Er 272) - **

CANBERRA
 ADELAUSE
 IEE Tiff OUFHANT

Flotilla Leaders

ARTANTA
 TUOMF

Destroyers

w m t m
 HELM
 BOLSTER
 TUCKER

VENDETTA
 SALEF - (FTD 28/6)
 PERKINS (ETD 25/5)

Submarine

PAUL JONES
 PARHOTT
 S.47)
 3.38)
 3.42)
 3.44)
 3.39)
 3.40)
 3.41)
 S.43)
 3.45)

On Patrol

3.46 At Townsville for repairs
 3.37 At Brisbane

Dutch Submarines

K.9)
 K.12) At Sydney

A.W.C.
 S/P Tender
 A/c Tender
 Submarine tender
 Destroyer Tender
 Gunboat

WESTRALIA
 WRIGHT
 ORIFFIN
 black mm
 TULSA

W.B.PRESTON

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

- Approx 18 Destroyers
- 25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army transports
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders (*KAMXICA MARU* "KENJO MARU")
- 1 Squadron Submarines
- 1 Sub Depot Ship
- C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
- C in C Mandates Air Force
- Portion 1 Gunboat Division
- Approx 107 shore-based aircraft including probably 31 fighters, 42 heavy bombers, 15 flying boats and 19 float planes
- 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruiser
 Flotilla Leader
 Destroyer
 S/P Tenders

Effective
 PHOENIX
 STUAPT
 VGYAOBR
 CHILDS
 HERON
 OTUS
 HOLLAND

Refitting or Repairing

Submarine Tenders

Submarines

GOT Patrol

SPKARFISH (arrived Fremantle)
 SKIPJACK
 TICKRKL
 sailfish (" ")
 SALMON
 SAUWY
 PERMIT
 3BAWOLF
 SEAL

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

ISHIRGAY)
 SEADNAOOH) At Albany
 SCULPIM)
 SAROO)
 SEARATH)
 SWORDFISH) At Fremantle
 3TURGEON)
 SHAFFER) En route Albany to Fremantle
 K.e) At Fremantle

Dutch Submarine

3. EAST INDIA - PHILIPINE

British and Allied Forces

Yokosuka on patrol stations in China sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" VFLter (to return Japan)
 3 - 6" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Sesp&C Carriers
 C in C Third Fleet

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

COTONWOOD (8-16")
 MARYLX P (8-16")
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
 HEW MICO (12-14")
 IDAHO (12-14")
 TBKISSKS (12-14")
 FBINVASIA (12-14")

Refitting or Repairing

8" Cruisers

SAK FRANCISCO
 LOBBVILLE

6" Cruisers

DETROIT
 ST. LOUIS
 BOISE

HELENA
 RALEIGH

Destroyers

26 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

9 Aircraft Carriers

KAOA)
 HIRYU)
 MARY) Home Waters
 AKAGI)
 RYUJO)
 BQSHO
 MITA MARU
 KASUCA MARU
 KORYU ?
 EUIKAKU (En route Japan)

SHOKAKU

9 - 8" Cruisers

2 - 6" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Truk Area

- 4 Navy Swimmers
- 2 light cruisers
- 2 Converted 'Joaplan' Tenders ('KAMOI' 'FUJIKAWA MAKU')
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalla

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/3 Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama f/B Squadron,
1st Air Corps, C.O., Chitose Air Squadron
- Air Tenders and Kinesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Cowander Submarine Force

6) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Aircraft Carriers

8" Cruisers

6" Cruisers

A.S.C. *2

A/C Tender
S/P Tender
Approx 25 Destroyers

D) INDIAN OCEAN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
6V Cruisers

F) INDIAN OCEAN
British and Allied Forces
Battleships

Effective

- HORNET
- ENTERPRISE
- YORKTOWS
- SOUTHAMPTON
- SALT LAKE CITY
- VINCENNES
- PENSACOLA
- MINNEAPOLIS
- NEW ORLEANS
- ASTORIA
- CHESTER
- PORTLAND
- INDIANA POLIS
- NASHVILLE
- RICHMOND
- LEAHDEB
- ACHILLES
- HONOLULU
- ATLANTA
- ASCANIA
- HIKOWAI
- KANIMBLA
- UMOORA
- SWAN
- TANGIER

Refitting or Repairing

- SAN DIEGO
- CONCORD
- BRANTON

- WARSPIC
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAMILLON
- ROYAL SOVEREIGN
- VALIANT

British & Allied Forces (Contd)

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
Battleships		
Aircraft Carriers		

8" Cruiser
8" Cruisers

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 GBOMHOS AVROPP (Greek)
 CALEDON
 DKAON
 EMTEH ^HISR
 KMEHALP
 CVSS
 DUBBAM
 BIKMIMOTIAM
 GLASGOW
 COLOMBO
 CAPK5K3WH
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 DAMAB
 DAUMLKSS
 WORCKSTEJfSHIKB
 HECTO
 KAIFGBX
 CORFU
 ALAUNIA
 HSEMSKSHCS
 CAWLISLE
 25 (approx)
 7 (approx)

A.M.C.s

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
Submarines

Jimmy Forces

P ^ e ^ K T s s s s

10 Destroyers
20 Submarines

C in C Southort Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

22nd May, 1942

1. SOUTHWESTERN ALLIED NAVAL GROUP

A) SOUTHWESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "ALBATROSS" & "HELVETIA" at Brisbane.
- (ii) "SALT LABS GIFT" & "ELUSSIS" en route Brisbane from Noumea E.T.A. &. today 22/5.
- (iii) "CHICAGO" & "PERIHE" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) E.T.D. 25/5.
- (iv) "CANBERRA" engaged in working up exercises in Port Phillip.
- (v) "BVLNER" & "AHL JONES" are to depart Sydney 0900 today 22/5 for Samoa.
- (vi) "PARROTT" & "ULACK HAUK" departed Port Melbourne 1501/21 E.T.A. Sydney 0600/24.
- (vii) "WANN" & "SAR" departed Brisbane 0600/21 and "GOTTLIB" departed Brisbane 0900/21 to R.V. with Convoy SKO (4 troopships) 100 miles E.N.E. of Townsville, and relieve "ARUHTA" & "TROMP", at 1130 today 22/5. Convoy to continue to Port Moresby escorted by "SM" & "GOULBUH". "ARUMFA" & "THOU" to return Sydney.
- (viii) "TGCKER" & "HELVETIA" entered Port Phillip 0806/21. To depart Melbourne for Sydney 1000 today 22/5 E.T.A. 1400/24. "FRIGAT" to depart for Pearl Harbour 25/5.
- (ix) "OESDIGO" & "COLAC" escorting B.M.T. "TABOQHA" ft "CASTLEKA" arrived Port Moresby 1716/21.
- (x) "KANCARGO" "KOALA" & "KARAHGX", the last with store-lighter in tow, departed Brisbane 1300/80 for Darwin via Townsville K.T.A. (approx) Townsville daylight 26/5.
- (xi) "SANGRA" departed Brisbane 0910/21 for Sydney E.T.A. 0600/25.
- (xii) At Sydney - "SESTRALIA" "ARREGO" "ABHAHA" "CRYHSEN" "K.9" "K.12" "WANGAS" "SIXA" Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LE TRIQISPHANT" "??B" "PRESTON" "VICTORIA"
- (xiii) At Melbourne - "PINOCO" Repairing - "VENDETTA"
- (xiv) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIS" "JLSA" "ATREO3" "AL3KY" Repairing - "WALKE" (ETD 28/5)
- (xv) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (1) The following sightings of enemy vessels were made on 20/5 and 21/5 by allied aircraft -
- Koepan - At 0805/20 - 1 transport of 3,000 tons.
- Ambon - At 1900/21 - 1 destroyer and 5 merchant ships.
- Sala&aua - At p.m. 21/5 one two masted tanker (4,000 tons), heading Lae.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "VOYAGER" returning to Fremantle from Longitude 130°.
- (ii) "VOYAGER" arrived Fremantle 1655/20 after escort duty with 304.
- (iii) Convoy 3B4 ("HOLBROOK" "BOHTROON" "PFLIX ROUSSEL") proceeding to Adelaide independently after being convoyed to Long. 150° by "PHOENIX" E.T.A. today 22/5.
- (iv) "OEHALDTOB" arrived Albany 0543/21.
- (v) "OBXIM" at Exmouth Oulf.
- (vi) "HRNA" "FBOOL" escorting "MAIO" ma due to arrive Thursday Island from Darwin put out 1330/22, thence Cairns.
- (vii) At Fremantle - "OFTS" "X.B" "STUAHT" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "E8LIBG" "IROVTA" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUNJAB" "LAMAMI" "HERON"
- (viii) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) "OKHALDTON" U.3. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (ix) For submarines in western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Eight submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E. area - (see

INTRODUCAS (see Appendix)

- 3) CEETRM PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 (1) Task Force 16 in area operating in the Central Pacific area.

Enemy Forces (see Appendix)

C) SO-TKEI-H ^AOIFIS AREA

British and Allied forces

- (i) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (ii) WBAEFTW en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. 24/5.
- (iii) *BASUS# at Tongatabu, «» relieved by "SASQBR" to proceed Brisbane.
- (iv) TIKCIAI*APOLIS* was due at Tongatabu from Melbourne yesterday 21/5. Later to proceed Pearl Harbour together with "McCALL".
- (v) *IUGPORPB en route Brisbane to report for duty with C.T.f.44 E.T.A. Cape Moreton 0300/26.
- (vi) PM UMAL* was due Auckland from Suva a.m. 20/5.
- (vii) *AMMIAH was due Auckland from Suva a.s. 21/5.
- (viii) MKAKI n 5LA# departed Auckland 21/5 for Sydney.
- (ix) *MASOQRAF S "MILDIIHA" were due to return Noumea yesterday 21/5 after embarking evacuees at Vila. "MAFI00RA# to proceed thence to Norfolk Island and thence Sydney B.T.A. 0600/25. "WILCAHRIA" is to escort ^JSAKOORA" 100 miles from Houasa and then return. "ITOCSEAIH#OS" to suspend minesweeping operations and proceed to «.V* with *UMQ<MAH at 1600/24 and provide A/S escort to Sydney.
- (x) WCBKVHKUIL* & *MILSBRA* arrived Mourn 1104/21.
- (xi) *FOKE* "EDUARDS" "XASFCASKIA" at Tongatabu. To proceed Suva, "TASKASKXA" thence to Pearl Harbour.
- (xii) *GEELONG* en route MoMada to Sydney for repairs Jw.T.A. 0600/23.
- (xiii) *OMXBLEX# on route Auckland to Saroa E.T.A. 0400/2/5.
- (xiv) *UBUHKEI2H was to depart Houasa 0545/21 for Sydney E.T.A. 0100/26.
- (xv) Task Force 16.9 (*TKOXS*, V.P. Planes & "MEREDITH") at Noumea. Duty under Coast Air Support.
- (xvi) At Saroa - "ACHILLES" in "VO# BRIEM"
- (xvii) At Vila - "LEAKSEA" *WIHIPM* "ALPS"
- (xviii) At Suva - *LAMS08*. Later to proceed Saroa.
- (xix) At Tongatabu - "ICBMOHD" & "BAOLEST", ML #div 2 (*HAM3AY" "MHTOOMKftY"
- (xx) At Kourea *SISHQHML.#* "HEHRUT"
- (xxi) At Auckland - 9li10BLp

D) MO TBBRH MCFIC AREA

B) APUTM B'ABTEM PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

F) INDIA CCFAM
British and Allied Forces

- (1) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6*.
- (11) "CBT&US" en route Prewantl to Mauritius E.T.A. 1100/2.

Enemy Forces

Raider "E" - There have been no indications of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "SMXKU" on 10/5 but she is probably still operating in this area.

2. NAVAL INCIPEKTS

H.M.A.S. "BALLARAT" - VMMIX assisting "BAUEAKAI" have not yet succeeded in refloating her. "TOWUSVXLL" is standing by and "W*HM*200L" has been ordered to assist "TOS8VILLB" until the high tide following her arrival, when proceed Townsville.

A tug was to be despatched from Brisbane to aid "BALLARAT", at 2100 yesterday 21/5.

3. AIR OPERATIONS

ALERTED

Lae - Five Marauder type bombers attacked the Lae Aerodrome at 1245/21. Direct hits on two heavy bombers and one type "Q" fighter. Two heavy bombers were probably extensively damaged; and one possibly shot down. There were no allied losses. IS Zero's and 5 hijackers were observed on the aerodrome.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE KBXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific areas.

APPENDIX IX

to

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

22/5/42

A) 8th WTG 3rd TSHI PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
From M. and N. V. Forces
(Cruisers)

Flotilla Leaders

Destroyers

Submarines

Dutch Submarines

A.M.C.
S/P Tender
A/C Tender
Submarine Tender
Destroyer Tender
Gunboat

Home Forces

New Guinea - Biarrarek Archipelago - Solomons Area

Approx 11 Destroyers

25 - 30 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMIKAWA MARU" "KENJO MARU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 19 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. SOUTH AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

6th Cruiser
Flotilla Leader
Destroyer
S/P Tenders

Submarine Tenders

Effective

australia
HOBART
SALT LAKE CITY
amm
TROMP
KEFFLEY
HKLM
BULMER
TUCKER
PAUL JOWES
PARROTT

Submarines

S.47
3.38
S.42
S.44
3.39
3.40
5.41
3.43
3.45
3.46
3.37
K.9
K.12

WEST AUSTRALIA

BRIGHT
RIFLE
BLACK HAWK
TULSA

Refitting or Repairing

officer 25/5)
CAMBERHA
ADELAIDE
LE TRIOMPHE
VEKDETTA
WALKS (ETD 20/5)
PERKINS (ETD 26/5)

On Patrol

At Townsville for repairs
At Brisbane
At Sydney

12.3.PHK3TOS

Effective

PHOENIX
3TSART
VOYA3KR
CHILDS
HBHON
OTU3
HOLLAND

Refitting or Repairing

Submarines

On Patrol

POHPOTSfe
SKIPJACK
PICKEREL
SALMON
3AURY
PEHMIT
SEAWOLF
SEAL

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

g^S m^agl	}	At Albany
SEADKAOR		
SGMLPIS		
SANGO		
SEARAVEN	}	At Fremantle
SWORDFISH)		
STURGEON)		
SPEARFISH)	}	In route @ Albany to Fremantle
3AILFISH)		
SNAPPER		
IC.8		At Fremantle

Dutch Subsia pln @

3. EASY INDIAS - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

8 ~~34~~ Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or H.c. 1. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" cruiser (to return Japan)
3 - 6" Cruisers
12 Destroyers
Several seaplane Carriers

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 16 heavy bombers:

Bali

Approximately 48 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 K.F./P:

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

United States and Allied Forces
Battlefleet

Effective

COLORADO	(8-16")
MARYLAND	(8-16")
MISSISSIPPI	(12-14")
MEXICO	(12-14")
IDAHO	(12-14")
TENNESSEE	(12-14")
PENNSYLVANIA	(12-14")

Refitting or Repairing

Aircraft Carriers

HORNET
ENTERPRISE
NOHTHAMPTON
VINCENNES
MINNEAPOLIS
ORLEANS
SAN FRANCISCO
LOUISVILLE

8" Cruisers

NASHVILLE
MONTANA
DETROIT
ST. LOUIS
BOISE

6" Cruisers

HELENA
RALEIGH

Destroyers
Submarines

25 (approx)
23 (approx)

	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
II <u>Army Forces</u>		
<u>Japan - Boning - Japan (Contd.)</u>		
8. <u>Army Forces</u>	ZAGA)	SHOKAKU
	Fifty)	
	30000) Howe Waters	
	AKASX)	
	RYUJO)	
	HOSHO	
	ATA MARU	
	KASUGA MARU	
	KORYU ?	
	ZUIKAKU (En route Japan)	

9 - 8" Cruisers
 2 - 6" Cruisers
 30 Destroyers
 30 Submarines

Manned Islands

Frak Area

4 heavy cruisers
 2 light cruisers
 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMOI" "FUJIJCA" "A MAIU")
 Scout units 4th Fleet
 Several Chartered Merchant Ships
 Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
 Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
 Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron
 1 Submarine Division
 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
 1 M/B Flotilla (16th)
 8 Naval Air Authorities including portion of 1st Air Corps, G.O. Chitose Air Squadron,
 Air tenders and Minesweepers
 At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
 Commander Submarine Force

(C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 Aircraft Carrier
 10 Cruisers

Effective
 Y.M.E.F.W.
 PJSNSAOLA
 ASTORIA
 GBKSJBR
 PORTLAND
 15 DIASA?OLIS
 RICHMOND
 LEAHDBK
 ACHILLES
 n m a w w
 A3GAMIA
 MOMONAX
 XANIMSLA
 MANOORA
 SWAN
 TANGIER

Refitting or Repairing

CM Cruisers

A.M.C.*a

A/c tender
 s/? Tender
 Approx 25 Destroyers

(D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

(E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 10 Cruisers

GAH DIKGG
 CONCORD
 m m o n

F) I&PIAM OCFAM AKEA
British and Allied Forces
Battleships

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Aircraft Carriers

8" Cruiser
 6" Cruisers

A.D.U.G. *a

A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
 Submarines

Enemy Forces
 6" Cruisers

16 Destroyers
 20 Submarines

C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

RESDLUTIGM
 am's as
 RAMILLES
 ROYAL SOTBKEIGH
 VALIA35T
 INDOMITABLE
 FORMIDABLE
 ILLUSTRIOUS ?
 GEORGIOS AVKKOFF {Greek}
 CALFDCH
 DHAQCH
 EKCPJIPRI3B
 EMEEALD
 CEIWS
 DURBAN
 BIRMINGHAM
 GLASGOW
 COLOMBO
 CAPKTOH
 KEWG&3TLE
 DAFIAF
 DAJIUTLFSS
 WORCISTSRBHZRB
 HECTOR
 KASCBI
 CCRFFH
 ALAJ HIA
 HFSJFSKEJICK
 CARLISLE
 25 (approx)
 7 (approx)

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

23rd May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "AUSTRALIA" (Flag) "SALT LAKE CITY" "HOBART" "HILM" & "FLICKER" k "HEKLEY" at Brisbane.
- (ii) "GUTHRIE" & "PSYCHE" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep (10 days) E.T.D. 25/5.
- (iii) "CANBERRA" engaged in working up exercises in Port Phillip.
- (iv) "BBLMER" k "PAUL JOKES" departed Sydney 0927/22 for Samoa.
- (v) "PARSONS" & "BLACK HAWK" en route Melbourne to Sydney E.T.A. 0080/24
- (vi) "SUCKER" & "BRIGHT" departed Melbourne 1001/22 for Sydney E.T.A. 1400/24. "BRIGHT" to depart for Pearl Harbour 25/5.
- (vii) Convoy ZK8 (4 troopships) en route Port Moresby splits into 2 sections at 0800 today 23/5, "GOULBURN" k "CKSSMOCK" escorting 3 ships and "SAH" escorting 1 ship to Port Moresby. "ARUMTA" & "TROSP" are returning to Sydney after being relieved by the above escort off Townsville.
- (viii) "KANAROO" "KOALA" k "KARAHSI", the last with store-lighter in tow, en route Brisbane to Darwin via Townsville. Approx E.T.A. Townsville daylight 26/5.
- (ix) "BINGERA" en route Brisbane to Sydney E.T.A. 0600/23.
- (x) "GRSDONG" en route Houmae to Sydney for repairs E.T.A. 00600 today 23/5
- (xi) "WARRHAI BOOL" escorting "MAKO" was due at Thursday Island from Darwin yesterday 22/5, en route Cairns.
- (xii) At Sydney - "WESTRALIA" "WAHHEEQ" "ABHAUAM CRYBSSEH" "K.9" "K.12H" "GAELLA" Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LR TRIOMPHANT" "W.B. PRESTON" "VICTORIA"
- (xiii) At Melbourne - "FLIGHT" Repairing - "VKHJETTA"
- (xiv) At Brisbane - "OFFPIK" "ISJLSA" "ATREUS" "ALSEY" Repairing - "WALKE" (KTD 28/5)
- (xv) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy forces (See Appendix)

- (i) Rabaul - Allied aircraft observed in Rabaul Harbor at 1315 yesterday 22/5, 7 ships 8,000 - 10,000 tons (probably transports), 10 smaller vessels and one larger vessel possibly warship which was firing A.A.
- (ii) General - German Raider E could now possibly be operating in the S.W. Pacific area.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) All three ships of Convoy 5U4 arrived Adelaide from Fremantle yesterday 22/5.
- (ii) "CHILDS" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (iii) At Fremantle - "PHOENIX" "VOTTEGKR" "HEITOK" "OTUS" "K.S" "3TUAHT" (see appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "RRLINO" "BROVIG" (Oil) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUHJAB" "LANAKAI"
- (iv) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) "OEHALDTON" 0.3. Minesweepers "LAITK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (v) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or U.R.I. area (see appendix)

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces (See Appendix)

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

C SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (ii) "LABEER" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. 24/5.
- (iii) "EAGLET" at Tongatabu, to proceed Brisbane when relieved by "BANKER".
- (iv) "AUGFID" en route Brisbane to report for duty with C.T.F. 44 E.T.A. Case Moreton 0300/26.
- (v) "PORD" ft "EDWARDS" escorting U.S. Tanker "KASKASKIA" arrived Suva 0936/22. "KASKASKIA" to proceed later to Pearl Harbour.
- (vi) "BAICAMA" escorting "IAHIB" departed Auckland for Suva 0300/22 E.T.A. 1600/25.
- (vii) "KANIMBIA" departed Auckland a/s for Sydney.
- (viii) "BAFFOOKA" arrived Norfolk Island from Noumea 0030 yesterday 22/5 and departed for Sydney at 1320 E.T.A. 0600/25.
- (ix) "KOCFHAM" to suspend minesweeping operations and proceed to R.V. with "Mmonu" at 1600/24 and provide A/B escort to Sydney.
- (x) "SUHGAREE" departed Noumea 0435/21 for Sydney E.T.A. 0100/26.
- (xi) "DOBSIS" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) k "SKLFIDGE" (U.S. Destroyer) departed Suva 1816/21 for Noumea.
- (xii) At Samoa - "ACHILLES" "O'BRIRH"
- (xiii) At Vilai - "HMM Wm" "WHIPPUS" "ALDEH"
- (xiv) At Suva - "IAMSOW". Later to proceed Samoa.
- (xv) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "BAGLRY", Minadv 2 (H3A3AY" % Om?GOMBHY")
- (xvi) At Suva - "ORBVKHOIL" "MILDURA" "PUTLCAHKA" "ZISHOPDALE" "MEHKBR" Task Force 16.9 ("TABGIER" & "MEKEDITH")
- (xvii) At Auckland - "RIGEL" "MGSCWAI"

D) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces - (See Appendix)

P) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

- (i) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.
- (ii) "CHITRAL" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E.T.A. 1100/28.

Enemy forces

Kaiser "E" - There have been no indications of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "NATHAN" on 10/5 but she is possibly still operating in this area.

2. BAVAL INCIDENTS

"KAOUERA" which has been overdue Darwin has now arrived.

3. AIR OPERATIONS

ALLIED

Rabaul - 6 B-17's attacked Vnnakanau aerodrome and shipping at Rabaul at 1315 yesterday 22/5. One bomb was dropped close to the bow of a large transport and smoke was observed issuing from the vessel. Two bombs fell near 6 heavy bombers. One B-17 was damaged.

Lae - 5 B-26's attacked Lae at 1430 yesterday 22/5. Direct hits were made on two bombers and two bombs fell close to an A.A. position. Four near misses were made on a tanker at anchor. Eight "Zero" Fighters intercepted of which 3 were destroyed and 2 probably destroyed. One B-26 slightly damaged.

4. KLEIN'S "KQBABRI" EXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific areas.

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APPENDIX - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

23/5/42

A) 30UT3 INDIAN PACIFIC AOFA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SRCTQB
British and Allied Forces
Cruisers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

Plotilla Leaders

Destroyers

Submarines

Dutch Submarines

A.M.C.

S/P Tender

A/C Tender

Submarine Tender

Destroyer Tender

Gunboat

AUSTRALIA
HOBART
SALT LAKE CITY

ARUSTA

TROK?

HILARY

HELM

3ULMEE

TUCKER

PAUL JOKES

PAISHOT?

FLU33ER

5.47)

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BLACK HAWK

TULSA

FORNS 6" 14 Tb 2g/st t **

CASBIRHA

ADELAIDE

LE TRIOHPIAMR

VEBHTTA

4ALXX (ETD 28/5)

PRBKINS (ETD 2b/s)

On Patrol

At Townsville for repairs

At Brisbane

At Sydney

W. B. P. K. TON

Enemy Forces

Guinea - Lawrock Arc; pelago - Solonons Area

Approx 12 Destroyers ?

Approx 20 merchant Ships including several Army Transports

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders (8KAMISASA MAOT* *ammjQ UAI\Sh*)

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air For@#

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 19 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. ISFRM AUSTRALIA SRCTGB

British and Allied Forces

5W Cruiser

Flotilla Leader

Destroyer

3/P Tender@

Submarine Tenders

Subsr? nes

Effective

PHOENIX

STUA3T

VOYAGBR

CHILDS

mmmm

OIXIS

HOLLA HD

On Patrol

PORPOISE

SKIPJACK

PICEFFHL

ML MO@

3/URY

PERMIT

3EASOLP

SEAL

3WOHDFISH

Refitting or Repairing

Submarines (Contd)

Repairing & Preparing for Duties

STINGRAY)
 SKADITAGON)
 3CHLPXIN) Att Albany
 SA'GO)
 3KARAVFH)
 aruBoaov)
 SMARPISH) Att Fremantle
 SAILPI80)
 SSJAMPFR)
 K.8) Att Fremantle

Dutch Submarine

3. FAST LWLHS - PHILIPPINES

Militia and Allied forces

9 Submarines on patrol stations in China sea or N.K.X. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

H T T i Cruiser (to return Japan)

2 - 6" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Steplane Carriers

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 16 heavy bombers

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 R.F/P

B) CKHT3A. PACIFIC ANISA

British and Allied forces
 Battleships

Effective Refitting or repairing

COLORADO (8-16")
 MAHYLAKD (6-16")
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
 NEW MEXICO (12-14")
 IIAHO (12-14")
 THINESAEE (12-14")
 PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")

Aircraft Carriers

HORNET Sanatoga

8" Cruisers

ENTERPRISE
 THAMPTOJF
 VIJCRENES
 MIUKKAPOLIS
 HFW QIKKASS
 SAW FRANCISCO
 LOUISVILLE

6" Cruisers

CKESJSH
 NASHKVILLE
 ATLANTA
 DETROIT
 ST. LOUIS
 BOI3F
 hkusma
 RALEIGH

Destroyers

20 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Insty Forces

Palso - Saipan - Sonins - Japai

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

11 Aircraft Carriers

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 KASUGA SARD
 KORITO ?
 SPIIKAKU ((Rn route Japan)

13 - 8" Cruisers

2 - 6" Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Enemy Forces (Contd)

5th Fleet Islands

Sub Arse

Still 1st cruiser

2 Converted Seaplane tenders (WAKAMOI* "FUJIKAWA MATSU")

Some units 4th Fleet

Several Chartered Merchant Ships

Special Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron,
1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Aircraft Carrier*

8* Cruisers

6* Cruisers

A.M.C. 3s

A/C tender

S/P Tender

Approx 85 Destroyers

Effective

YOXTOWIF

PFKSACOLA

ASTORIA

PORTLAND

INDIAN POLLS

FICHMOBB

LEAFBFB

ACFILLES

HONOLULU

ASCASIA

OSOIAI

KM IMBLA

MACOM

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Befitting & Repairing

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

6* Cruisers

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CONCORD

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F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

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SRTERPHXTE

HERALD

CFRFS

BUFBAN

IIHKISOHAM

8LA300W

FOLOMBO

CAPETOWN

SKWCASTLE

BANAE

DAINTY

Aircraft Carriers

8* Cruiser

6* Cruisers

British and Allied Forces (Contd)

Refitting or repairing

A.M.C. a

Effective
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ALATJIA

CHITRAIL

A.&. Vessels

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Destroyers

25 (approx)

SubmerIn@a

7 (approx)

Esatj Forces

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16 Jestroyers

80 Submarines

C in G Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL

ACTIVITY - 84th W&7 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

AVIATION WESTERN AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "AUBIKALIAM" (Flag T) "LAKE CITY" "HOBART" "HENLEY" "HELM"
& "FLUSSER" at Brisbane
- (ii) "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" at Sydney for repairs and upkeep 10 days
E.T.P. 25/5
- (iii) "CANBERRA" engaged in working up exercises in Fort Phillip.
- (iv) "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" en route Melbourne to Sydney E.T.A.
0800 today 24/5, to depart Sydney 28/5 when BLACK HAWK has
(v) completed docking.
- (v) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" en route Melbourne to Sydney E.T.A. 1400
today 24/5. "WRIGHT" to depart for Pearl Harbour tomorrow 25/5
- (vi) Convoy ZK8. - 3 ships escorted by "GOOLBURN" and "CESSHOCK"
and 1 ship escorted by "SSAN" are due at Townsville today
24/5 en route PORT Moresby. "TROMP" & "ARUNTA" are returning
to Sydney after being relieved by the above escort. "TROMP"
to escort "SWARTENHONDT" leaving Sydney 1200 today 24/5
- (vii) "KANIMBLA" en route Auckland to Sydney E.T.A. 0700/25
- (viii) "MANGORA" en route Noumea to Sydney E.T.A. 0600/25.
"ROCKHAMPTON" departed Sydney 2334/23 for H.V. with MANOORA
at 1600/24 to provide h/h escort to Sydney. E.T.A. 0600
tomorrow 25/5.
- (ix) "COLAC" escorting R.T. "CANBERRA" en route Port Moresby to
Cairns E.T.A. 1130 today 24/5.
- (x) H.T. "TAROGBA" is due 0700 today 24/5 at Townsville, having
been escorted by "BENDIGO" from Port Moresby to Grafton Passage.
- (xi) "KANGAROO" "KOALA" & "KARANGI" the last with store-lighter in
tow, en route Brisbane to Darwin via Townsville. Approx. 3.T.A.
Townsville daylight 26/5.
- (xii) "BINGERA" arrived Sydney 0635/23
- (xiii) "GEELONG" arrived Sydney for repairs 0718/23
- (xiv) "WARRNAMBOOL" escorting "MAKO" en route Thursday Island to
Calms Is to endeavour to locate U.S. air personnel reported
crashed South of Cape Greville.
- (xv) At Sydney "VSESTRALIA" "WARREGO" "ABRAHAM CRINSEN" "K.9" "K.12"
"WONGANELLA"
Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LE TRIUMPHANT" "FL. B. PRESTON"
"VICTORIA"
- (xvi) At Melbourne - "pifowo"
Repairing "VENDETTA"
- (xvii) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIN" "TULSA" "ATREUS" "ALSEY"
Repairing - "WALKE" (ETD 25/5)
- (xviii) For Submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces

- (I) New Ireland - An enemy warship is reported to have passed
Cape St. George (New Ireland) at 0800/23, steaming South
- (ii) Lae - Allied aircraft sighted an enemy tanker at Lae at
3730/22/5, which however was not sighted when allied aircraft
made an attack on Lae at 1245/22/5.
- (iii) General - (i) German raider E could now be operating in the
South West Pacific Area
(ii) No major units are now believed to remain in
the New Britain - New Guinea - Solomons area.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "ORALWON" at Albany. To proceed Fremantle on completion of
boiler cleaning about 28/5
- (ii) "CHILDS" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (iii) At Fremantle - "PHOENIX" "VOYAGER" "HERON" "OTUS" "K.8" "STUART"
(see Appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "EHLING"
"BSOMIG" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUNJAB"
"LANAKAT"

22. UESTKRN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces (Cont)

- (i) W Ut Altdanvy - ^HOLLAJOD" (See Appendix) "GFRALDTON" USS Minesweepers "LARKM" "WHIP?OORWILL."
- (y) For submarines in Western Sector - See Appendix

33. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Established in a variety of stations in China Sea or H.N.F.I. area (see Appendix)

Enemy Forces

Ambon - Allied aircraft at sea over Ambon at 1720H/22/55 sighted 11 destroyer and 4 merchant ships (See Naval incidents)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

Enemy forces

U.S. Naval Intelligence reports 22/5 :-

- (i) Crudiv 6 12 Sachi (2 heavy cruisers) due to arrive Japan. (These cruisers, one recently operating in the New Britain - Solomons area)
- (ii) Batdiv 3 with part of Crudiv 4 (3 heavy cruisers) and a destroyer squadron are operating in home waters. (The battleships have recently completed overhaul in home yards)

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area.
- (ii) "BLASMER" & "PAUL JONES" en route Sydney to Samoa F.T.A. 28/5
- (iii) "BARKER" en route Melbourne to Tongatabu E.T.A. today 24/5.
- (iv) "BAOLFY" at Tongatabu, to proceed Brisbane when relieved by "BARKER"
- (v) "JFFOOFORD" en route Brisbane to report for duty with C.F. 44 F.T.A. Caps Moreten 0300/26.
- (vi) "ASCAHIA" escorting WABINEM en route Auckland to Suva E.T.A. 1600 tomorrow 25/5.
- (vii) "BUNOAR" en route Noumea to Sydney F.T.A. 0100/26
- (viii) "DOOMIN" (C.S. Destroyer Tender) & "SFLFRIDGE" (U.S. Destroyer) en route Suva to Noumea, F.T.A. 1200/24
- (ix) "CHFVR" "UIL" departed Nosanea 0558/23
- (x) At Samoa - "ACHILLAS" "O'BRIEN"
- (xi) At Vila - "LEANDER" "WHIP" "LE" "ALDEN"
- (xii) At Suva - "SLANSON" (Later to proceed Samoa) "KASSASKIA" "FOHD" "KDWARDSI"
- (xiii) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "BAOLWY", Binsdiv 2j ("RASAR" "WONGTMEFY")
- (xiv) At Noumea - "MILDURA" "WLCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKUR" Task Force 16.9 ("TANGIER" & "MEREDITH") "CUMMINGS" "CUYAMA"
- (xv) At Auckland - "RI3HL" "MONOWAI"

Enemy Forces

- (i) ISIFONHJSH, Sterfield Reefs - There are indications that the enemy may be using as a submarine base the wreck of the Greek ship "BOQWNI ARRAS" (5000 tonal on the Middle Bellonas Reef (Chesterfield Group) west by north of Noumea)
- (ii) Solomons An enemy submarine was sighted by air reconnaissance in a position 14 07 S. 162 30 E. (approximately 200 miles S. of San Cristobal Island) at 0154/?2/5, proceeding on a course of 190

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA (See Appendix)

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan F.T.A. 4/6
- (ii) "CHITRAL" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E.T.A. 11/072

Enemy Forces

Raider "a" - There have been no indications of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "NANKIN" on 11/5.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS

- (i) Coral Sea The search for survivors of U.S.S. "NEOSHO" and "SIMS" has been abandoned, although aircraft will continue to search during routine patrols and reconnaissance flights. U.S.S. "HENLEY" rescued 1277 men of whom 33 later died on board "HENLEY". A number of men who abandoned ship when "NEOSHO" was attacked are still missing.
- (ii) Cape York H.M.A.S. "BALLARAT" was refloated at 0525/24/55

3. AIR OPERATIONS

ALLIED

- (i) Ambon - Two attacks were made on enemy shipping at Ambon yesterday 23/5, as follows

At 1728, eight Hudsons made a near miss on a merchant ship of 1000 tons. Five Zero fighters intercepted, of which one was shot down and two others probably destroyed. One Hudson was shot down and one is missing, probably lost.

At 2105 four Hudsons attacked shipping and scored a near miss on a destroyer. Five "Zero's" intercepted but no damage is reported.

- (ii) Lae - Five B-25's attacked Lae aerodrome at 1245/23; 2 are missing, believed lost. Two near misses made on large bombers on runway, but no further results of bombing observed.

4. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands
(ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
(iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.
(iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
(v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

83/6/42

A) REPORT WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

Flotilla Leaders

Destroyers

Submarine

Dutch Submarines

A.M.C.'s

S/P Tender

A/C Tender

Submarine Tender

Destroyer Tender

Gunboat

Effective

WESTKALIA

MOBART

SALT LAKE CITY

IRUNTA

THOMAS

BESLIY

HELM

TUCKER

FAHROTT

FLUSSER

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WESTKALIA

KAMIMBLA

UANOORA

WRIGHT

SKIFFIK

SLACK HANIK

TULSA

Refitting or Repairing

CHICAGO (ETD 25/5)

CM BERRA

ADELAIDE

VENDETTA

WALKS (ETD 28/b)

PEHKINS (ETD 25/5)

On Patrol

At Brisbane

At Sydney

W.B. FRK3TOM

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Milne Bay Archipelago - Solomons Area

Approx 12 Destroyers

Approx 20 Merchant Ships including several Army Transporters

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("MAMIKAMA MARU" "KIKIJO MAHU")

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 19 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Flotilla Leader

Destroyer

S/P Tenders

Submarine Tenders

Effective

STUART

VOYAGER

CHILDS

HKRGU

OTUB

HOLLAND

Refitting or Repairing

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On Patrol
 PWIOIBF
 SKIPJACK
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 SALMON
 SAWK
 PLISMKT
 SEAWOLP
 SEAL
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Repairing or Preparing for Patrols
 JFHGHAY) At Albany
 SKADRAOO) At "
 SGWLPIH) Albany - Fremantle
 SAHGO) At Albany
 SAILPISH) At "
 SKABAVKH)
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 3PEAHPIH) At Preiaantle
 S&APPEH)
 K.8) At Fremantle

Dutch Jubmarine

3. KAST IN GIFS - "HILIRIHES
W-111111" and Allied Forces

9" Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

- 1 - BW bruiser (to return Japan)
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 12 Destroyers
- Several Seaplane Carriers

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 10 heavy bombers

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 H.p/p

B) CEMTRAL PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces

Battleships T.....

<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refltttlnp; or Repairing</u>
OHUWAMO (8-16")	11111
MAHYLAND (8-16")	
MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
mm Mexico (12-14")	
IDAHO (12-14")	
TEKIFSSSEE (12-14")	
FCHNSYLVAMA (12-14")	

Aircraft Carriers

HOHST SARATOGA

8" Cruisers

EBTERPIISE
 FEBACOLA
 KOHTHAMPTON
 VIKCMIMIS
 ummk polis
 KES? ORLEJttS
 SAE FRANCISCO LOUISVILLE

8* Cruisers

BASHEVILLE HELENA
 ATLANTA KALFI/H
 BKfHOuf BOISE
 ST. LOUIS

Destroyers

35 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palao - Japan - Bonins - Japan

Units of CoAlmeiThiet inclisidng 10 Battleships

11 Aircraft Carriers	RAOA)	SHOKAKU
	HIBYU)	
	3QHYU)	Home »atera
	AKARI)	
	KYUJ6)	

Aircraft Carriers (Contd)

Jw a
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
KASUGA MARU
KORYU??
ZUIKAKU (En route Japan)

13 - 8" Cruisers
2 - 6" Cruisers
30 Destroyers
30 Submarines

Updated Islands

Truk Area

2 light cruisers

12 converted Sea Tenders (*KAMOI* - "KUMKAWA MRU")

Some units 4th Fleet

Several Chartered Merchant ships

Special Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion

Yokohama Flt Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 M/S Flotilla (16th)

9 Kava Air units including portion Yokohama f/B Squadron,

1st Air Corps, C-0* Chitose Air Squadron

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant ships

15 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

Q) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces

Aircraft Carrier

SH Cruisers

6* Cruisers

A.S.C.s

a/c tender

s/p tender

Approx 25 Destroyers

Effective

TORTON*

ASMAIA

PORTLAND

IKDIAMAPOLIS

RICHMOND

LPANDKK

ACHILLKS

HONOLULU

ASCAMJA

MON9WAI

SWAH

TASOBR

Refitting or Repairing

P) NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces

5* Cruisers

SAN DIAGO

COKCORD

TRENTON

Pi) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied forces

Battleships

WMS?ITE

RESOLUTION

IRVEMGE

KAMILLES

ROYAL SOVEREIGN

WILLIAM

IBDOWITALE

FORMIDABLE

ILLUSTRIOUS ?

GEORGIOS AVEROPF ((Greek))

Aircraft Carriers

8h Cruiser

Victorian and Allied Forces (Contd)

afittinK on repairing

6th Cruisers

Effective
BXHSbdH
BRACK
EITSSBf^XSE
EMKFAUB
CERES
PUKBAJS
BIRMINGHAM
GLASSO#
COLOMBO
GAFETOW
WWCAS^IE
DASAK

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DABHTLKS3
WOHCKSTER3HIHE
HKCH3R
RANCHI
CORF?

A.A. Vessels

ALAtmiA
HREHSKERCK
CARLISLE

Destroyers
3ub. <<> fin#a

25 (approx)
7 (approx)

Energy Force

2 - 6th Cruisers

10 Destroyers

20 Submarines

6 In C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & IKP/FAK OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

25th May, 1942

DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & KRAY NAVAL FORCESa) south pacific area1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

- (i) USSM LIXAH (Flag) "SALT LAKE CITY" "HOBART" "HENLEY" "HELM" & "FEBSSER" at Brisbane.
- (ii) "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" at Sydney.
- (iii) "WALKS" repairing at Brisbane. Expected to depart 28/5 for Pearl Harbour via Noumea, Suva, Tutuila.
- (iv) "GANBKRF" engaged in working tip exercises in Port Phillip.
- (v) "PARROTT" & "BLACK HASK" arrived Sydney 0959/24. To depart Sydney 28/5 when "BLACK HASK" has completed docking.
- (vi) "TUCKER" & "TUMIAR" arrived Sydney 1350/24. "WRIGHT" to depart for Pearl Harbour tomorrow 25/5.
- (vii) Convoy SK8-43 salpa escorted by "GOULBURN" & "CE3SNOCK" are due at Townsville today 2b/s on route Port Moresby. "SWAM" escorting one vessel arrived Townsville 1501/24. "TROMP" & "ARUMTA" are returning to Sydney after being relieved by the above escort. "TROMP" escorting "3WARTEHHONDT" was to depart Sydney yesterday 24/5.
- (viii) "KANIMHLA" en route Auckland to Sydney E.T.A. 0700/25#
- (ix) "MANOORA" en route Noumea to Sydney E.T.A. 0600 today 25/5. "ROCKHAMPTON" made H.V. with "MANOORA" at 1600/24 and is providing a/3 escort to Sydney.
- (x) "COLAC" escorting H.T. "CANBERRA" arrived Cairns 1200/24. To depart 1300 today 2b/5.
- (xi) "KANOARBO" "KOALA" & "KARAHUX", the last with store-lighter in tow, en route Brisbane to Darwin via Townsville. Approx E.T.A. Townsville daylight 26/5.
- (xii) "%AKRHAIFBOOL" en route Townsville after rescuing U.S. air personnel crashed south of Cape Grenville.
- (xiii) "SALLAIUT" which was aground 42 miles south of Cape York from 17/5 until 24/5 departed for Townsville in a seaworthy condition at 1401/24 E.T.A. 0800/27. "TOWNSVILLE" which has been assisting "BALLAIAT" is proceeding to Townsville with despatch.
- (xiv) At Sydney - "FESTHALIA" "ARREOO" "ABRAHAM CKYNSSEN" "K.9" "K.12" "WANOANELLA"
Ref? tting - "ADELAIDE" "LE TRIOMPHANT" "W.B. PRESTOS" "VICTORIA"
- (xv) At Melbourne - "PINOVO"
Repairing - "VENDETTAM"
- (xvi) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIN" "JULSA" "ATNEOS" "ALSEY"
- (xvii) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

The following: all Jit Jags were reported in the New Guinea - New Britain - New Ireland area 24/5 -

- (a) rahan? aua - too small ships.
- (b) Kavieng * Mill shipping.
- (c) Rabaul * Five large and seven small vessels.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA & ISLANDSBritish and Allied Forces

- (i) "STUART" (Flag) Fremantle 0801/24 on escort duty.
- (ii) "GERALDTON" at Albany. To proceed Fremantle on completion of boiler cleaning about 26/5.
- (iii) "CHXLOS" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (iv) At Fremantle - "HOBHIX" "VOYAGER" "HERON" "OTUS" "K.8" (see Appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "EKT.ING MOV 10" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUNJAB" "LANAKAT".
- (v) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (See Appendix) "GERALDTOS" U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (vi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. WEST PACIFIC AREA - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

9 submarines on patrol stations in China sea or N.E.I. area (see Appendix)

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (see Appendix)

Enemy Forces

Saipan - there are indications that C in C 2nd Fleet is now in the Saipan Area.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied forces

(i) Task Force 17 in Tongatabu area arrived

(ii) "LEANDER" departed Vila 1750/23. Bulari Passage 1600/24.

(iii) "BULMER" & "PAUL JONES" en route Sydney to Houma. After fuelling to proceed Vila and relieve "WHIPPLE" & "ALDEN" in Task Group 1222. "WHIPPLE" & "ALDEN" will then proceed Tutuila for further orders.

(iv) "BARKER" was to arrive Tongatabu 24/5.

(v) "BACLEY" at Tongatabu, to proceed Brisbane when relieved by "FEIKER".

(vi) "MURTFORD" en route Brisbane to report for duty with C.T.F. 44 E.T.A. Capa Foreton 0300/26.

(vii) "ASCASCANIA" escorting "ARTIMINE" arrived Auckland 1/17/21.

(viii) "BUSGAREE" en route Noumea to Sydney E.T.A. 0100/26.

(ix) "DOBBIN" (U.S. Destroyer Tender) & "SEILFRIDGE" (U.S. Destroyer) arrived Noumea 1120/24.

(x) "CHEVREUIL" departed Noumea 23/5 to R.V. with 3 troopships 35 miles south of Wallis Is. (approx 200 miles W. of Samoa) at 0700/28.

(xi) At Samoa - "ACHILLES" "O'BRIEN"

(xii) At Vila - "WHIPPLE" "ALDEN"

(xiii) At Suva - "LAMSON" (later to proceed Samoa) "KASKASKIA" "FORD" "MONTGOMERY"

(xiv) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "BAGLEY", Minediv 2 ("MONTGOMERY")

(xv) At Noumea - "MILDURA" "WILCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKBB" Task Force 16.9 ("TANGIER" & "MEREDITH") "CUMMINS" "CUYAMA"

(xvi) At Auckland - "RIGBL" "MONOWAI"

D) PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

P) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

(i) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6 *

(ii) "CHITRAL" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E.T.A. 1100/28.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

Raider H - there have been no indications of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "NANKIN" on 10/5.

west of Fremantle

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS - Nil*

3. AIR OPERATIONS

Allied

Rabaul - Vunakanau aerodrome raided 1001/24 by three heavy bombers. Direct hits made on 2 heavy bombers & 19 bombs amongst 18 heavy bombers on the runway. Building on North side of runway afire. One of our planes missing.

3. ENEMY'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

(i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.

(ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.

(iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.

(iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.

(v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

A P P E N D I X

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

25/5/42

A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. BRITISH AND ALLIED FORCES
Cruisers

Effective
CHICAGO

Refitting or Repairing
ADELAIDE

Flotilla Leaders

HOBART
SALT LAKE CITY

Destroyers

ARUNTA
TROMP
HENLEY
HELM
TUCKER
PARROTT
PLUSSER

VENDETTA
WALKE (ETD 28/5)
PERKINS

Submarines

S.47
S.30
S.42
S.44
S.39
S.40*
S.41
S.43
S.45
S.46 } *At Brisbane*
K*9)
K#12)

On Patrol

S.37 At Brisbane

At Sydney

Dutch Submarines

WESTRALIA
KANIMBLA
MANOORA

A.M.C.*8

S/P Tender
A/C Tender
Submarine Tender
Destroyer Tender
Gunboat

WRIGHT
GRIFFIN
BLACK HAWK
TULSA

W.fc.PRESTON (ETD 31/6)

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

- Approx 12 destroyers ?
- Approx 20 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMIKAWA MARU" "KENJO MARU")
- 1 Squadron Submarines
- 1 Sub Depot Ship
- C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
- C in C Mandates Air Force
- Portion 1 Gunboat Division
- Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 Flying Boats and 19 float planes
- 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

6th Cruiser
Flotilla Leader
Destroyer
S/P Tenders
Submarine Tenders

STUART
VOYAGER
CHILDS
HERON
OTTIS
HOLLAND

Submarines

- On Patrol
- ~~POWPOISIR~~
- SKIPJACK ^
- PICKEREL
- SALMON -
- SAURY "
- PERMIT ^
- SEAWOLF ^
- SEAL ^
- SWORDFISH -

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

- SEADRAGON)
- SAKGO) At Albany
- SAILFISH)
- SEARAVEN)
- STURGEON) At Fremantle
- SPEARFISH)
- SNAPPER)
- STINGRAY)
- SCULPIN) En route Albany to Fremantle
- K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch Submarine

3. EAST INDIAN - PHILIPPINE

British and Allied Forces

8 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

- 1 - 8" Cruiser (expected to return Japan)
- 2 -- 6" Cruisers
- 12 Destroyers
- Several seaplane Carriers

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 16 heavy bombers

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 R.f/?

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battleships

<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
GOLOUADD (8-116")	CALIFORNIA
MARYLAND (8-116")	NEVADA

- MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
- NEW MEXICO (12-14M)
- IDAHO (12-14")
- TENNESSEE (12-14")
- PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")

Aircraft Carriers

- HORNET
- ENTERPRISE
- SARATOGA

8" Cruisers

- PENSACOLA *Alaska*
- NORTHAMPTON *Portland*
- VINCENNES *Indianapolis*

6" Cruisers

- MINNEAPOLIS
- NEW ORLEANS
- SAN FRANCISCO
- CHESTER
- NASHEVILLE
- ATLANTA
- DETROIT *Honolulu*
- ST. LOUIS
- HELENA
- RALEIGH
- BOISE
- LOUISVILLE

Destroyers
Submarines

30 25 (approx)
23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Palau - Saipan - Bombers - Japan

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

11 Aircraft Carriers

- KAGA) SHOKAKU
- HIRYU)
- SCRYU) Bom@ Waters
- AKAGI)
- HYUJO)

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Aircraft Carriers (Contd)

- HOSHO
- NITTA MAHC
- KASUOA MA3B
- KORYU ?
- ZUIKAXU (En route Japan)

- 12 possibly 18 - 8" Cruisers
- 2 - 6" Cruisers
- 30 Destroyers
- 50 Submarines

Mandated Islands
Irak Area

- 2 Light Cruisers
- 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders (*KAMOI "FUJIKAWA MARU")
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- Several Air Squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion
Yokohama Fl./ing Boat Squadron
- 1 Submarine division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- At least 2 submarine squadrons from 5th Fleet
- 1 m/5 Flotilla (16th)
- 9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron
1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied forces
Alfred F Carrier ...
8" Cruisers

- Effective
- ~~YORKTOWN~~
- ~~MILUXI~~
- ~~206SFA~~
- ~~INDIANAPOLIS~~
- RICHMOND
- LKASKS
- ACHILLES
- ~~NEWBERRY~~
- ASCANIA
- HGSOWAI
- SHAH
- TANGIER

in*
Refitting or Repair*

6" Cruisers

A.M.C.'s

- A/C Tender
- 3/P Tender
- Approx 25 Destroyers

D) NORTH PACIFIC AREA
~~HOLTR ERN PACIFIC AREA~~

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied forces
6" Cruisers

- SAN DIEGO
- CONCORD
- TRENTON

F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
Battleships

- HARSITE
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAILLES
- ROYAL SOVEREIGN
- VALIANT
- INJEMITASLE
- FORMIDABLE
- ILLUSTRIOUS ?
- 313ECHSIOS AVEROFF ((Greek)

Aircraft Carriers

8" Cruiser

6³ Cruisers

V

Effective

B7SLTOJT"

DRAGON

ENTERPRISE

EMERALD

CERES

DURBAN

BIRMINGHAM

GLASGOW

Colombo

CAPETOWN

NEWCASTLE

DANAE

DATJEBEES

WORCESTERSHIRE

HECTOR

RANCHI

CORFU

ALAUNIA

CMITRAL

HEESSKERCK

CARLISLE

25 (approx)

7 (approx)

Refitting or Repairing

A.M.C.'s

A.A* Vessels

Destroyers

Submarines

Enemy Forces

2 - 6³ Cruisers

16 Destroyers

20 Submarines

0 In C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

a ANNUAL APPRECIATION - PACIFIC b INTA - JAPAN NAVAL ACTIVITY26th May, 19481. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCESA) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA1. JAPANESE AUSTRALIA SECTORAllied and Allied Forces

(i) "TUBOALTA" in Pacific Area
 "FLBSSFH" at Brisbane.

(ii) "CHICAGO" & "FIRKINS" at Sydney.

(iii) "MALKS" repairing at Brisbane. Expected to depart 30/5 for Pearl Harbour via Lotuses, Suva, Tutuila.

(iv) "CANSIKHRA" engaged in working up exercises in Port Phillip.

(v) "PAQUIDIT" & "BLACK HAWK" at Sydney. To depart 28/5 when "BLACK BASK" has completed docking.

(vi) "TSCXKR" & "RIGHT" at Sydney. "WRIGHT" to depart for Pearl Harbour when minor repairs are completed.

(vii) "KASIMBLA" arrived Sydney 0742/25.

(viii) "MANOOHA" arrived Sydney 0958/25.

(ix) Convoy ZKB - 3 ships escorted by "MOULBUKIS" & "CFS3MOCK" arrived Townsville 0800/25. "COLAC" is to depart Cairns 0930 today 26/5 to R.V. with "FAK" escorting 1 vessel from Townsville, and provide additional escort to Port Moresby. "FKQ&P" escorting "SFC SARTENHOB" departed Sydney 1449/25 for Townsville E.T.A. 0600/26. "TROMP" to be relieved by A/S vessel from (Musville) at 0800/26.

(x) "KAJSEAROO" "KOALA" & "KARAFFOX", the last with store-lighter in tow, arrived Townsville 1740/24, en route Brisbane to Darwin.

(xi) "BLENDIGO" arrived Townsville 0625/24.

(xii) "WARBBAMBOOL" en route Townsville after rescuing U.S. air personnel crashed south of Cape Grenville.

(xiii) "BALLARAT" en route Townsville E.T.A. 0800/27.

(xiv) At Sydney - "AHWTA" "ESTRALIA" "FAIUMO" "ABKAHAM CHYH3SBH" "K.9" "R.12" "WAKGAKELLA"
 Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LE TRIOMPKABT" "W.B. PHESTON" "VICTORIA"

(xv) At Melbourne - "PIHOKO"
 Impairing - "VKBBITTA"

(xvi) At Brisbane - "GUIFFIK" "WTULSA" "AMU3" "ALSEY"

(xvii) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(i) HAWAII - Photographic reconnaissance on 24/5 disclosed -
 1 destroyer in harbour amongst other shipping reported yesterday.
 5 float planes near Malagatua.

10 type 97 Kawanisi Flying Boats west of Sulphur Creek

7 bobbers and 17 fighters at Lanuai.

(ii) Kavieng - Strategic Intelligence S5/5 reports -

1 medium sized transport at Kavieng

1 cargo vessel moored

2 cargo vessels moving towards Kavieng.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORAllied and Allied Forces

(i) WALTON on escort duty off Fremantle.

(ii) "OBALDOLF" at Albany. To proceed Fremantle on completion of boiler cleaning today 26/5.

(iii) "CHILDS" at Exmouth Gulf.

(iv) At Fremantle - "WOEBIX" "VOTAGER" "HKKOH" "TB3" "K.8" (see Appendix)
 "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "EHLING BHOVIG" (Oilor)
 "ISABEJ" (Gunboat) "PUNJAB" "LAMAKAT"

(v) At Albany - "BOLLARD" (see appendix) "GHALBTON" U.S. Minesweepers
 "LASX" "WHIPFOORWHI"

(vi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIAN - PACIFIC OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

Submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or U.K.I. area (see appendix Enemy Forces (See Appendix))

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) Task Force 17 is operating in this area.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(M) There are indications that two enemy striking forces are being formed.

- (a) Northern Force including 2 battlecruisers, 1 aircraft carrier ("HYUGO") 2 converted carriers 3 heavy cruisers destroyers.

UMS force appears to be mobilising in the Northern Honshu area.

(b) Southern Force under the control of C in C Second Fleet includes

- 4 possibly 8 aircraft carriers ("AKAGI" "KAGA" "SOHYU" "HIKUYU" & poss. "ZUIKAKU")
- 2 seaplane carriers ("CBIYODA" "CHITOSE")
- 4 heavy cruisers (4 "MOGAMI" class) 1 I.C.W.T.
- Destroyers
- Special Base Establishment Unit
- Hav&L Landing Party Force

This Force appears to be mobilising in the Saipan area. C in C Second Fleet and the heavy cruisers are already in that area. The four aircraft carriers are expected to depart Home Waters for Saipan shortly. Supply vessels are also expected to move to the Truk - Saipan area shortly. Other supply vessels are already believed proceeding to the Marshalls area.

(ii) The two remaining cruisers of Cruiser Division 6 (one "Cako" class, one "Aoba" class) have arrived in Japan for overhaul.

(iii) Commander of the Submarine Force is in the Marshalls area.

C) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "TeA&K" was to return Vila from Noumea on 25/5 arriving there today.

(ii) "BULG" & "PAUL JOER" en route Sydney to Noumea. After fuelling to proceed Vila and relieve "WfZPFLK" & "nLDEN" in Task Group 12.2. "HIPPLK" & "ALDSH" will then proceed Tutuila for further orders.

(iii) "BARKLEY" at Tongatabu has been relieved by "BARKER" and is to proceed Brisbane.

(iv) "MBM" & "5GLPKIB08" departed Noumea 1352/25.

(v) "emmmrts" en route Noumea to R.V. with 3 troopships 36 miles south of Wallis Island (approx 200 miles west of Samoa) at 0700/28.

(vi) "FORD" "SDWAKDS" "KASKA 3RIA" departed Suva for Pearl Harbour 0758/24.

(vii) "GUMMIM03" departed Noumea 0642/25 for Tongatabu F.T.A. 28/5.

(viii) At Samoa - "ACSILLES" "OJSRIKH" "SUIHER" (Survey Ship) "TURK" (M/S)

(ix) At Vila - "WHIPPLE" "ALDRN"

(x) At Suva - "LAWSOR" (later to proceed Samoa) "KINGFISHER" (M/S)

(xi) At Tongatabu - "nicWom" "RAGLBY" Minediv 2 ("RAMSAY" "MOWSQ" "SKY") "SOLACE" (Hospital Ship) "KANAWHA" (Oiler) "liAIMIKK" (Ammunition Ship) "HAMAPO" (Oiler) "ANTARES" (Store Ship) "ALDEBAKAN" "BELLATRIX"

(xii) At Noumea - "MILPUHA" "WILSARMIA" "3ISHOPDALB" "MEREUR" Task Force 16.S ("TAHOIKR" & "MLKKDITM") "CUYALA"

(xiii) At Auckland - "ASCANIA" "MG80WAI" "HIOKL"

D) WEST PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

f) WIPAKI OCAFTA

British and Allied forces

(i) "TRINITY" en route r.l.b*ny to Abadan E.?A. 4A*.

(ii) "CHTTAR" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E:Y:* 1100/28.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

15*Apr. B ~ ~ Tj* hay# been no implication of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "HANKIN" 11360 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5.

2. MAVAL JitcmaTS

(1) Jipwip* - a large column of wet#? Is stated to have been seen at E.S.&O/88 in the vicinity of Bovia Ft. (S.W. of Kousse) on opposite point to Bouses across the May. It is thought that the eruption was caused by an exploding mine.

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(1) hX m @ &*E&*s attacked iae at 1445/28. Results were not observed because of intense A.A. fire and interception by about 13 "Ztro" Fighters. Two enemy fighters were seen on fire. One of our aircraft was destroyed, four are missing and the three which returned to their base are unserviceable.

(ii) HAGAia - 6 B-17*s attacking Vunaksnau aerodrome at 1415/25 caused large fires among buildings and probably damaged the runway and grounded aircraft. 2 enemy fighters were probably shot down and 2 B-17*s were damaged.

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(i) ECOT HO*STAY - HO damage was caused by 3 Kawanisi four* engine flying boats which attacked the Seven Mile Aerodrome at 1925/23, and one of the enemy aircraft was probably damaged.

4. KHEMY*g r«0a»aLS KMT HQ?K

(i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.

(ii) Attack on U.S. bases in central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.

(iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.

(iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.

(v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

26/8/A2

A) SOUTH PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

<u>British and Allied Forces</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
Flotilla Leaders	JWTmMTK CHICAGO HOBART SALT LAKE CITY	CAI'SERKA ADELAIDE
Destroyers	AliUNTA TROMP HENLEY HELM PERKINS TUCKER PARROTT FLUSSER	VEH8BTTA WALKE (ETD 26/b)
Submarines	3.39) 3.40) 3.41) 3.43) 8.45) 3.48) S.37) S.3B) 3.42) 3.44) 3.47)	On Patrol At Brisbane
Dutch Submarines	K.9) K.12)	At Sydney
A.S.C.'s	WESTRALIA KASIMSLA MINESA	
S/P Tender		W.B. PRESTON (ETD 31/5)
A/C tender	WRINHT	
Submarine Tender	ORIFFIM	
Destroyer Tender	BLACK MAIK	
Gunboat	TULSA	

Enemy Forces

South Pacific Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

- Approx 18 Destroyers ?
- Approx 20 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports
- 1 Converted Seaplane Tender (~~name~~ "KIMJO MARU")
- 1 Squadron Submarines
- 1 Sub Depot Ship
- C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)
- C in C Mandates Air Force
- Portion 1 Gunboat Division
- Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 19 float planes
- 9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

<u>British and Allied Forces</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
6" Cruiser "....."	THOROX	
Flotilla Leader	STUART	
Destroyer	VOYAGER	
S/P Tenders	CHILDS HERON	
Submarine Tenders	OTUS HOLLAKD	

Submarines

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SKIPJACK
PIGSKML
SALMOV
SAURY
PERMIT
SKAWGLF
SEAL
SWORDFT®

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

SEADRAGON)
SRBCO) At Albany
SAILFISH)
SEAHAVEN)
Stimson)
SFEARFISH) At Fremantle
S?IA?P?R)
STINGRAY) En route Albany to Fremantle
SCULP?H)
K.S At Fremantle

Dutch Submarine

3. HAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

9 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or M.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8W druleer (expected to return Japan)
2 - 6" Cruisers
12 Destroyers
Several seaplane Carriers

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 16 heavy bombers

Bali

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 87 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 Ft/p/*

8) CENTRAL PACIFIC ANKA
British and Allied Forces
Battleships - - - - -

<u>Effective</u>	<u>Refitting or Repairing</u>
COLORADO (8-16")	CALIFORNIA
MARYLAND (8-16")	NEVADA
MISSISSIPPI (12-14")	
NEW MEXICO (12-14")	
IDAHO (12-14")	
TENNESSEE (12-14")	
PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")	

Aircraft Carriers

HORNET SARATOGA
ESSEX YORKTOW

8" Cruisers

PENSACOLA
NORTHAMPTON
ASTORIA
PORTLAND
INDIANAPOLIS
VINCENNES
MINNEAPOLIS
NEW ORLEANS
SAN FRANCISCO
CHESTER
HARTFORD
HONOLULU
DETROIT
ATLANTA
ST. LOUIS

LOUISVILLE

HELENA
RALEIGH
BOISE

6" Cruisers

Destroyers
Submarines

30 (approx)
23 (approx)

THE WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

Units of the Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

Refitting or Repairing

11 Aircraft Carriers	KAGA)	SHOKAKU
	HIRYU)	
	SORYU)	Horae Haters
	AFAGI)	
	RYUJO)	
	<i>MIMO</i>	
	KIUMA MARU	
	KASUGA <i>na m</i>	
	KIMIKI ?	
	ZUIKAKU (en route Japan)	

12 possibly 13 - 8th Cruisers

2-6 6th Cruisers

30 Destroyers

30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Trust Area

2 Light Cruisers

2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMGI" "FUJIKAWA MARU")

SS units 4th Fleet

Several Chartered Merchant Ships

Special Landing Party Force (Marines)

Several Air squadrons including 17th Air Squadron and portion

Yokohama Flying Boat Squadron

1 Submarine Division

7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet

1 M/3 Flotilla (16th)

9 Naval Air Authorities including portion Yokohama F/B Squadron

1st Air Corps, C.O. Chitose Air Squadron

Air Tenders and Minesweepers

At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships

16 Motor Torpedo Boats

Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
6th Cruisers

Effective

RICHMOND

LEAHDER

ACHILLES

ASCANIA

MONOWAI

SWAN

TANGIER

Refitting or Repairing

A.M.C.'s

A/C Tender

S/P Tender

Approx 20 Destroyers

D) WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces
6th Cruisers

SAN DIEGO

CONCORD

TRENTON

F) PACIFIC OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces
Battleships

WASPITE

RESOLUTION

REVENGE

RAMILLES

ROYAL SOVKHEIGN

VALIANT

Aircraft Carriers

INDOMITABLE

FORMIDABLE

ILLUSTRIOUS ?

8th Cruiser

SEORGIOS AVFROFF (Oriskany)

6 Cruisers

- Effective
 OALIDOK
 DRAGON
 ENTERPRISE
 EMERALD
 CERES
 DURMH
 BZBKXSGAM
 OLASOFF
 COLOMBO
 CAPE TOWN
 KKI FOASTIE
 DANAE
 DAUMTLES3
 WORCESTERSHIRE
 HECTOR
 RAHCHI
 COMFU
 ALAUNIA
 CHITRAL
 HEEHSKEBCK
 CARLISLE
 25 (approx)
 7 (approx)

Refitting or Repair ing

A.M.C.s

A.A. Vassels

Destroyers
Submarine

Enemy Forces

rrvn Byuiwa
 16 Destroyers
 20 Jibstria
 C in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

BAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

27th May, 1942

DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY NAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "AUSTRALIA" (Flag) "SALT LAKE CITY" "HOBART" "HENLEY" "HELM" & "FLUSSER" at Brisbane.
- (ii) "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" at Sydney.
- (iii) "CANBERRA" at Port Melbourne E.T.D. for Sydney 0900 today 27/5.
- (iv) "WALKE" repairing at Brisbane. Expected to depart 30/5 for Pearl Harbour via Houma, Suva, Tutuila.
- (v) "PAMOTT" & "MACK HARK" at Sydney. To depart tomorrow 28/5 when "SLACK HAWK" has completed docking.
- (vi) "TUCKER" & "WRIGHT" at Sydney. To depart for Pearl Harbour when minor repairs to "WRIGHT" are completed.
- (vii) Convoy ZK8 - "COLAC" & "SWAN" escorting 1 vessel en route Townsville to Port Moresby E.T.A. 1600 today 27/5. "COULBURN" & "CESSNOCK" with three ships are at Townsville and will proceed later to Port Moresby. "THOMP" escorting a 5th vessel en route Sydney to Townsville E.T.A. 0600/30. "TROMP" will be relieved at 1800/28 by a/s vessel from Townsville.
- (viii) "MUGFORD" was due at Brisbane yesterday 26/5 to report for duty with O.T.P. 44.
- (ix) "SUNGAREE" arrived Sydney 0652/26.
- (x) "BALLARAT" & "SAKIMHSDOL" en route Townsville E.T.A. late p.m. today 27/5.
- (xi) "KANGAROO" "KOALA" "ICARANGI", the Inst with store-lighter in tow, arrived Cairns 1800 yesterday 26/5 en route Brisbane to Darwin.
- (xii) At Sydney - "ARUNTA" "WESTRALIA" "FARREGO" "ABRAHAM CRYNSEN" "K.9" "K.12" "KAMIMILA" "MANGORA"
- (xiii) Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LE TRIOMPHANT" "W.B.PRESTON" "VICTORIA"
- (xiii) At Melbourne - "PIKFIG" Repairing - "VEKOETTA"
- (xiv) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIN" "TULSA" "ATREUS" "ALSEY"
- (xv) For submarines in Eastern sector - see Appendix.
- (xvi) H.T. "LAURA BADA" was to proceed Misima Is. from Sudest Is. Louisiade Archipelago, yesterday 26/5. After investigating at Misima she is to proceed Deboyne Island 28/5.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

- (i) Rattier K - This raider which was last located 1360 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5, could now be operating in the S.W. Pacific area.
- (ii) Air Reconnaissance - 25/5 -
 - (a) Papua - one small 50 ft. motor vessel with 2 radio antennae masts, anchored on a river 20 miles W. of Abau (S.E. coast of Papua, 119 miles west of Samarai).
 - (b) Bougainville Is. - one small 2 masted ship, 50 ft. long, at the wharf on an island in Buka passage. One small 40 ft. two masted ship at anchor in a small bay on the East coast of Bougainville Is. about 23 miles N. of Kieta.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "STUART" escorting "DALNIDM MAUCS" arrived Fremantle 0900/26.
- (ii) "OEKAXDTON" departed Albany for Fremantle 0716/28 E.T.A. 0700/28.
- (iii) "CHILDS" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (iv) At Fremantle - "HOLIX" "STUART" "VOYAGER" "HERON" "OTUS" "K.8" (see Appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "ERLING BROWIG" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUNJAB" "LANAKAI"
- (v) At Albany - "HOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (vi) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces

There are indications of the presence of an enemy unit, probably a submarine, in a position 34° South, 165° East, (approximately 400 miles W.N.W. of Auckland * N.Z.) at 2200/26*.

D) NORTH PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied forces (See Appendix)

F) INDIAN OCEAN

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "HMMW" en route Aden to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.
- (ii) "CHITRAL" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E.T.A. 1100/28.

Enemy Forces

Raiders - There have been no indications of the whereabouts of this force since their attack on "NANKIN" 1500 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS - Nil.

3. AIR OPERATIONS

MT. LAWSON (60 miles 33S of Lae) - 16 Type "0" Fighters attacked allied fighters (4 P.39's and 3 P.400's) at Mt. Lawson at 1120/26. Enemy losses were 2 Type "0" fighters certain and one probably. One P.39 missing.

PORT MORESBY - 2 Kawasiri four-engined Flying Boats attacked military camps at 2019/26, but caused no damage.

4. KNEO'S PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands*.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

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DAILY APPRECIATION -- PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

27/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces
Cruisers

Effectives

Refitting or Repairing

IAUSTRALIA

ca&beMa

CHICAGO

ADELAIDE

HOBART

SALT LAKE CITY

Flotilla Leaders

Amata

LE TRIUMPHAW

TROMP

Destroyers

HENLEY

VENDETTA

HELM

WALKS (ETD 30/5)

PERKINS

TUCKER

PARROTT

FLUSSER

MUGFORD

Submarines

3.39)

3.40)

S.41)

On Patrol

S.43)

3.45)

S.46)

S.37)

1.98)

3.42)

At Brisbane

S.44)

S.47)

Dutch Submarines

K.9)

K.12)

At Sydney

A.M.C.s

WESTRALIA

KAHIKBLA

MANOORA

W.K.PRESTON (ETD 31/5)

S/P Tender

WRIGHT

A/C Tender

GRIFFIN

Submarine Tender

BLACK HAWK

Destroyer Tender

TULSA

Gunboat

Enemy Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

Possibly 1 light cruiser

Approx 8 destroyers

Approx 20 Merchant Ships including several Army Transports

1 Converted Seaplane Tender

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Portion 1 Gunboat Division

Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 15 float planes

9 Rotor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

8's Cruiser

PHOENIX

Flotilla Leader

STUART

Destroyer

VOYAGER

S/P Tenders

CHILDS

HERON

Submarine Tenders

COTUS

HOLLAND

Submarines

On Patrol
 MORFOIST*
 SKIPJACK
 PICKEREL
 SALMON
 SAURY
 PERMIT
 SEA3OLF
 SEAL
 SWORDPISH

Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

SEABIRDGON 1)
 SARGO) At Albany
 SAILFISH)
 SEARAVEN)
 STURGEON)
 SPEARFISH) At Fremantle
 SNAPPER)
 SCULPIN)
 STINGRAY Bn route Albany to Fremantle
 K.8 At Fremantle

Dutch Submarine

3* EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

9 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

1 - 8" Cruiser (expected to return Japan)
 2 - 6" Cruisers
 12 Destroyers
 Several Seaplane Carriers

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 16 heavy bombers

Bali

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 R.P/P

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

COLORADO (8-16")
 MARYLAND (8-16")
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
 NEW MEXICO (12-14")
 IDAHO (12-14")
 TENNESSEE* (12-14")
 PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")

Refitting or Repairing

CALIFORNIA
 NEVADA

Aircraft Carriers

HORNET SARATOGA
 ENTERPRISE YOKTOWN

8" Cruisers

PENSACOLA
 NORTHAMPTON
 ASTORIA
 PORTLAND
 INDIANA POLIS
 VIRGINNES
 MINNEAPOLIS
 NEW ORLEANS
 SAN FRANCISCO
 CHESTER

LOUISVILLE

6" Cruisers

NASHVILLE HELENA
 HONOLULU RALEIGH
 DETROIT BOISE
 ATLANTA

Destroyers

ST. LOUIS
 30 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enemy Forces

Yapao - Saipan - Bomina - Japan

Refitting or Repairing

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

KAGA	)		3HOKAKU
KIRYU)		
SORYU	)	Horae Waters	
AKAGI)		
RYUJO)		
HOSHO			
MITTA MAHO			
KASUGA MARU			
KORYU ?			
ZUIKAKU			

12 possibly 13 - 8" Cruisers
 2 Seaplane Carriers ("CHITOSE" "CHYODA")
 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMIKAZA MARU" "GOSRU MARU")
 2 - 6" Cruisers
 30 Destroyers
 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

Fuk Area

3 Light cruisers
 2 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMO" "FUJIKAWA KARU")
 Soae units 4th fleet
 Several Chartered Merchant Ships
 Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
 1 Submarine Division
 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
 1 N/S Flotilla (16th)
 Air Tenders and Minesweepers
 At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
 Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 6" Cruisers ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Effective
 HIGHTMAN
 LKANDER
 ACHILLES
 ASCANIA
 MONOWAI
 SWAN
 TANGIER

Refitting or Repairing
 -----*

A.M.C.s

A/C Tender
 S/P Tender
 Approx 20 Destroyers

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied forces
 6W Cruisers

SAN DIEGO
 CONCORD
 TRENTO*

F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
 Battle ships

WARFITE
 RESOLUTION
 REVENGE
 RAMILLES
 ROYAL SOVEREIGN
 VALIANT
 INDOMITABLE
 FORMIDABLE
 ILLUSTRIOUS ?
 ALBATROSS

Aircraft Carriers

Seaplane Carriers

8" Cruisers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

GEORGIOS AMEROFF (Greek)

6" Cruisers

DEVONSHIRE

FROBISHER

CALEDON

DMGON

ENTERPRISE

EMERALD

GERES

djibah

BIRMINGHAM

GLASGOW

COLOMBO

CAPETOWN

13WCASTLE

DANAE

DAUNTLESS

A.M.C.s

WORCESTERSHIRE

HECTOR

3ANGHI

C3RFU

ALAUNIA

CHITRAL

A.A. Vessels

HEEMSKERCX

CARLISLE

Destroyers

25 (approx)

Submarines

7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

2 - 5" Cruisers

16 Destroyers

20 Submarines

0 in C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

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28th May, 1942

DISPOSITIONS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

A) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "IUTIB/LIA" (M/G f f i v l i) "LM&E CITY" "HOBART" "HENLEY" "HELM" "MUGGRD" & "FLUSSEK" at Brisbane.
- (ii) "CHICAGO*1 & "PELIKINS" at Sydney.
- (iii) "CANBIJIA" departed Port Melbourne for Sydney 1159/27 E.A.A. 1500 today 28/5.
- (iv) "WAKE" y f t r b i r i n g at Brisbane. Expected to depart 30/5 for Petri Harbour via Noumea, Suva & Tutuila.
- (v) "TUCKER" & "BRIGHT" departed Sydney for Pearl Harbor 1140/27 E.T.A. Noumea 1130/29.
- (vi) "BARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" at Sydney. Expected to depart today 28/5 when "BLACK HAWK" has completed docking.
- (vii) Convoy & K8 - "GOULBGRN" & "CESSNOCK" escorting 2 vessels departed Townsville 0558/27 for Port Moresby E.T.A. 1600/29. **SLAHE & "COLAC" returning to Townsville after escorting one vessel to Port Moresby. "TROMP" escorting a H vessel from Sydney which will continue alone after 0200/29 and arrive Townsville 1400/30. "TROMP" to return Sydney.
- (viii) "DOBBIN" & "SLFRIBGE" en route Noumea to Sydney E.T.A. 0600/29.
- (ix) K.9 and "YANDEA" will be operating off Sydney from 1030 to 1700 today 28/5.
- (x) "WHYALLA" departed Adelaide 0049/27 for Sydney E.T.A. 1200/31.
- (xi) H.T. "LALILABABA" was to proceed Misima Is. from Sudest Is. Southside Archipelago of 26/5. After investigating at Misima she is to proceed Deboyne Island 28/5.
- (xii) "ORAKJK" (Dutch Hospital Ship) arrived Adelaide 26/5, departed 1146/27 for Melbourne E.T.A. 1201 today 28/5.
- (xiii) At Sydney # "ARUHTI" "WESTBALIA" "EANIMBLA" "MANOORA" "WARREGO" "ABRAHAM CHBSSEH8 "K.12" & f Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "US TRIOMPHANT" "W.B. PRESTON" "VICTORIA"
- (xiv) At Melbourne - "PINGWO" @ Repairing - "VENDETIA"
- (xv) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIN" "TULSA" "ATREUS" "ALSEY"
- (xvi) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

Raider E - This raider which was last located 1360 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5, could now be operating in the S. Pacific area.

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "STUART" departed Fremantle 1739/27 on escort duty.
- (ii) "HERON" departed Fremantle 0839/27 for Exmouth Gulf E.A.A. 29/5.
- (iii) "GERAWIQU" en route Albany to Fremantle E.T.A. 0700 today 20/5.
- (iv) "CHILES" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (v) At Fremantle - "PHOENIX" "VOYAGER" "OTUS" "K.8" ((see Appendix)) "GOLDSTAR" (Stone Ship) "ERLING BLOVIC" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PUKJAB" "LAHAKAI"
- (vi) At Albany - "HOLLAND" ((see Appendix)) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
- (vii) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

9 submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or S.E. I. area (see Appendix)

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

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B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "FORD" "EDWARDS" "KA3EA3KIA" en route Suva to Pearl Harbor E.T.A. 1/6*

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

(i) There are continued indications that two enemy striking forces are being formed -

- (a) northern Force including - 1 aircraft carrier ("RYUJO")
 - 2 converted carriers
 - 3 possibly 5 heavy cruisers
 - destroyers

This force appears to be mobilising in the Northern Honshu area.

(b) Southern Force under the control of C in C Second Fleet includes

- 2 possibly 3 battle cruisers
- 4 possibly 5 aircraft carriers ("AKAGI" "KAGA" "SORYU" "Ishryu" & Doss "Zuikaku")
- 2 seaplane carriers ("CHIYDDA" "CHITOSE")
- 5 heavy cruisers (4 "Hogard's", 1 "Tone" Class)
- Destroyers
- Special Base Establishment Unit
- Naval Landing Party Force

This Force appears to be mobilising in the Saipan area*.

2 in C Second Fleet and 4 heavy cruisers are already in that area. 2 battle cruisers, 1 heavy cruiser and a destroyer screen are en route. The four aircraft carriers are expected to depart Home Waters for Saipan shortly. Supply vessels are also expected to move to the Truk & Saipan area shortly. Other supply vessels are already believed proceeding to the Marshalls area.

(c) Air searches are being carried out to the N.E. and East to a depth of 600 miles from bases in Northern Honshu, the Marcus Is. and Iake.

(ii) Commander of the Submarine Force is in the Marshalls area where increased activity has been noted recently.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "LEANDER" & "BULMER" arrived Vila 1830/26.

(ii) "PAUL JONES" departed Noumea for Vila 26/5. "PAUL JONES" & "BULMER" to relieve "WHIPPLE" & "ALDEN" at Vila in Task Group 12.2. "IKHXPLIN" and "ALDEN" to proceed Tutuila for further orders.

(iii) "MGLEY" at Tongatabu has been relieved by "BARKER" and is to proceed Brisbane.

(iv) "CHEVREUIL" en route Noumea to R.V. with 3 troopships 35 miles south of Wallis Island (approx 200 miles W. of Samoa) at 0700/28.

(v) "COHCTNGS" en route Noumea to Tongatabu E.T.A. 28/5.

(vi) "JARVIS" & "PATTERSON" (U.S. Destroyers) departed Pearl Harbour 22/5 for Suva. Later to proceed Sydney to com under the command of Comorespacor.

(vii) "ASCANIA" escorting H.I. "WHITE" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. 0400/30.

(viii) "RAMSON" departed Suva 26/5 for Pago Pago (Samoa).

(ix) "FASBAGBT" departed Suva 25/5 for Isukualofa.

(x) At Suva - "ACHILLES" K9, "SUMNER" (Survey Ship) "TURKEY" (M/S)

(xi) At Vila - "LEANDER" "HIPPLE" "AJ2MR" "BULMER"

(xii) At Suva - "KINGFISHER" (M/S)

(xiii) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "BARKER" Minediv 2 ("RAMSAY" "MONTGOMERY") "SOLACE" (Hospital Ship) "KANAWHA" (Oiler) "RAINIER" (Assault Ship) "RAKAPO" (Oiler) "AMARES" (Store Ship) "MUEBARAH" "SLLATRIX"

(xiv) At Noumea - "MILDURA" "WILCANNIA" "BISHOPDALE" "MERKBR" Task Force 16.9 ("TANGIER" & "YSEEOTH") "CUYAMA"

(xv) At Auckland - "MOWAT" "RIGS"

Enemy Forces

An enemy submarine is probably operating in the Gasman Sea.

D) NOBTHBH PAGING AhM

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces (See Appendix)

F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Forces

- (i) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/6.
- (ii) "CHITRAI" en route Fremantle to Mauritius E.T.A. 1100 today 28/5.

Enemy Fgr99g

Raider H - There have been no indications of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "NAMIN" 1360 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5.

2. NAVAL INCIDENTS - Nil.

3. AIK PPBLATION

ENEMY

PORT MORESBY

(W) 17 "Zero" Fighters attacked Port Moresby at 1100/27 but caused no damage. 28 P.39's intercepted and 1 "Zero" was probably shot down; six others were hit, but no further results were observed. One P.39 is missing and 1 force landed.

(ii) The Seven Mile Aerodrome was attacked by an unknown number of aircraft at 2130/27. Damage was negligible.

4. PROBABLE NEXT MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area*.

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

28/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Forces
Destroyers

Effective
ATSHIFLA
CHICAGO
HOBART

Refitting or Repairing
CANBERRA
ADELAIDE

Flotilla Leaders

SALT LAKE CITY

LE TRIOMPHANT

Destroyers

ARUNTA

TROMP

HENLEY

HELM

PERKINS

TUCKER

PARROTT

FLUSSER

MUOFORD

SELFRIDGE

S.39

S.40

S.41

S.43

S.45

S.46

S.37

S.38

S.42

S.44

S.47

On Patrol

At Brisbane

Submarines

Dutch Submarines

K.9

K.12

At Sydney

A.M.C.'s

WESTRALIA

KANIMBLA

MANOORA

Ki.BXXXXKSZOKX tKXS 11/Sjt
W.a.PRESTON (ETD. 31/5)

3/P Tender

A/C Tender

Submarine Tender

Destroyer Tender#

Gunboat

WRIOHT

GRIFFIN

DOBBIN BLACK HAWK

TULSA

Sney Forces

New Guinea - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

Possibly 1 light cruiser

Approx 8 destroyers

Approx 10 Merchant Ships Intglafitj ewnwfr Hiwy tfyewaporta

~~1 Squadron Submarines~~

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

~~Portion 1 Gunboat Division~~

Approx 120 shore-based aircraft including probably 45 fighters, 40 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 19 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

6" Cruiser

Flotilla Leader

Destroyer

S/p Tenders

Submarine Tenders

Effective

746(MWT)

STUART

VOYAGER

HERON CHILDS (S/p Tender)

BGSBAND

Refitting or Repairing

Subairlines

On Patrol
~~POOP~~ ~~ISW~~
SKIPJACK
PICKEREL
SALMON
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SEAWOLF
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Repairing & Preparing for Patrols

mak (x) (SON ...)
SARGO) At Albany
SAILFISH } j
SEARAVEN }
STURGEON }
3PBAEFISH }
SNAPPER (D) At Fremantle
SOULPIS (?)
STINGRAY)
K.8

en route F to Alb

Dutch Submarine

3. SASMINDIEN - PHILIPPIN

English Ena "X" off Top Sea

9 "Nuttarine's on patrol stations in China Sea or N. I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

~~1 - 2" Cruisers (expected to return Japan)~~

2 - 66" Cruisers

12 Destroyers

Several Ssgblane Carriers

y.m. < * *committed seaplane tenders*

Timor

Approximately 40 shore-based aircraft including 24 fighters, 16 heavy bombers

Bali

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 R.p/p

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

U.S. and Allied Forces

Battleships

Effective

COLORADO# (8-16")
MARYLAND (8-16")
MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
NEW MEXICO (12-14")
IDAHO (12-14")
TENNESSEE (12-14")
PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")

Refitting or Repairing

CALIFORNIA
NEVADA

Aircraft Carriers

HORNET
ENTERPRISE

SAHATOOA
YORKTOWN

8" Cruisers

PENSACOLA
NORTHAMPTON
ASTORIA
PORTLAND
INDIANA POLIS
VANCE
NEW ORLEANS
SAN FRANCISCO
CHESTER

LOUISVILLE

6" Cruisers

NASHEVILLE
HONOLULU
DETROIT
ATLANTA
ST. LOUIS

HELENA
RALEIGH
OOISE

Destroyers

30 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

Enehj Forces

Malao - Salpan - Bonins - Japan

Befitting or Repairing

Units of Combined Fleet including 10 Battleships

- ICAGA
 - HIRYU
 - 3OKTU
 - AKAOI
 - RYUJO
 - V# HCSHO
 - SIT?A MARU
 - KASUOA MARU
 - ZOTKAKU
- Seisa^waters
7R^ " * C8!
- SHOKAKU

Bonins - 8* Cruisers

- 2 - 6 fl Cruisers
- 2 Seaplane Carriers ("CHITOSE" "CHIYODA")
- 13 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("XAMIXAWA MARU" "GOSHU MARU" "FOJIKAWA # 1")
- 30 Destroyers
- 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands

True Area

- 12 light cruisers
- 1 Converted Seaplane Tenders ("KAMOI")
- Some units 4th Fleet
- Several Chartered Merchant Ships
- Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
- 1 Submarine Division
- 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

- 2 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
- 1 M/S Flotilla (16th)
- Air Tenders and Minesweepers
- At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
- 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
- Commander Submarine Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 6" Cruisers

A.M.C.s

A/C Tender
S/P Tender

Approx 20 Destroyers

- Effective
- RICHMOND
 - ZANDER
 - ACHILLES
 - ASGANIA
 - MOMOWAI
 - SIK
 - TAIGIER

Refitting or Repairing

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

E) SOUTH EASTER PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 6h Cruisers

- SAB DIEGO
- COMCORD
- TRENTON

F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
 Battleships

- WAISFITE
- RESOLUTION
- REVENGE
- RAMILLES
- ROYAL SOVEREIGN
- VALIANT
- INDOMITABLE
- FOITMIDABLE
- ILLUSTRIOUS ?
- ALBATROSS

Aircraft Carriers

Seaplane Carriers

8" Cruisers

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

GEORGIOS AVEROPP (Greek)

DEVONSHIRE

FROBISHER

6" Cruisers

CALDON

DRAGON

ENTERPRISE

EMERALD

CSRES

DURBAN

BIRMINGHAM *

GLASGOW †

COLOMBO

CAPETOWN

NEWCASTLE J

BANAE

DAUNTLESS

A.M.C.* *3

WORCESTERSHIRE

HECTOR

RANCHI

CORFU

ALAUNIA

CHITRC

A.A.* Vessels

HREMSKERCK

CARLISLE

Destroyers

25 (approx)

Submarines

7 (approx)

Enemy Forces

2 - "Cruisers

16 Destroyers

20 Submarines

C In C Southern Expeditionary Fleet

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN MARINE ACTIVITY

5th May, 1948

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED & ENEMY MARINE MOVESA) 300731 NAVY AREA PACIFIC1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORSOUTH-EAST AUSTRALIA(i) PERTH FRUIT LAKE CITY HOBART HENLEY HELM

"KUOFOHB" & "PLUS3KS" at Brisbane.

(ii) "CHJCACO" & "1EKXI3" at Sydney.

(iii) "CAHSBRR" arrived Sydney 1/07/28.

(iv) Task Force 44 (less "CABIBKILA") to proceed Moreton Bay on 1/6 to h.v. with "CAXBELMA" from Sydney on E/6, and warry out to h.v. F.O.V.A.S. will transfer iii to "AT/STRALIA" to 4m "CAMBKHUA" on 3/6. "AOSTRILIA" ft U.S. "HSLM" will proceed Sydney arriving b/6. Remainder of Task Force 44 to berth in Brisbane River.

(v) "WALKE" repairing at Brisbane. Expected to depart 30/5 for Pearl Harbour via Noumea, Suva, Tutuila.

(vi) Convoy ZB - "OOBLB5RM" a "CISAOSK" escorting 2 vessels en route Townsville to Port Moresby I.A. 1600 today 29/5. "CCLAC" & "S*AM" departed Port Moresby for Townsville 27/5 after escorting one vessel. E.T.A. "COLAC" 1200/30. "SWAK" is to It.V. elth "JOTDISO" escorting 2 ships at 2200/30 approx 120 miles Worth by East of Calm and provide additional escort to Moresby. If conditions are suitable earlier contact with Convoy is to be made.

"TROMF" returning to Sydney after escorting one vessel towards Townsville, which is to arrive tomorrow 30/6.

(vii) "ARROTT" S "8LAC" SAIF" at Sydney. To depart when "BLACK HARK" has completed docking.

(viii) "DORSM" & "KLPRI" en route Houses to Sydney E.T.A. 0600 today 29/5.

(ix) "BFFALLA" en route Adelaide to Sydney E.T.A. 1200/31.

(x) "OftAXJB" (Dutch Hospital Ship) arrived Melbourne 1645/28.

(xi) At Sydney - "AMUNTA" "I&SVKALXA" "KAMIMSLA" "HAMOORTA" "HARR&00W"

"ABTUMK CRXV&TFS" "K.12" "E.8"

Refitting - "AOG LAXBE" "LE TRIO&PHAST" "W.W. FRISTON" "VICTORIA"

(xii) At Melbourne - "PINGO" impairing - "V8KOSTTA"

(xiii) At Brisbane - "OUFFIH" "UOA" "AT&SBS" "ALSBy"

(xiv) For subarea in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (see Appendix)(i) Sydney - 2 transports and 3 or 4 assault ships were sighted by air reconnaissance on 27/5.(ii) Rabaul - At 0920K/27 one large and 3 small transports and 4 small boats were observed in the Harbour during air reconnaissance. There were also 9 flying boats.(iii) Haider K - this raider which was last located 1360 miles west of "WESH" on 10/5, could now be operating in the S.W. Pacific area.2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces(i) WAFS on escort duty off Fremantle.

(ii) "MROX" en route Fremantle to South Gulf, E.T.A. p.m. today 29/5.

(iii) "OERAXLJTOH" was due at Fremantle from Albany yesterday 8S/5.

(iv) "CFILOS" at South Gulf.

(v) At Fremantle - "PftolBXX" "VQXA01R" "OUTS" "K.8" (see Appendix)
"OOLP3TAR" (Store Ship) "EJLIBQ Bi*OVIO" (Oiler)
"ISABEL" (Gunboat) "PU&JTAB" "LAMAKAI"(vi) At Albany - "KOLHNB" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LASK"
"WKIFROO" "HILL"

(vii) For subarea in Western Sector - see Appendix.

3. INDIAN OCEAN - PACIFICINDIAN OCEAN

Ten "slimbini nos" on patrol stations in China Sea or K.K.I. area (see Appendix)

4 Enemy Forces (4m ApfNra&lx)

Tiltar V bn S8/S one merchant vessel of 3,500 tons and another vessel of 800 tons were observed by air reconnaissance anchored off Dill.

B) SIKVTSAL HACIMG AKRA

British and Allied Forces

(i) "FORD" "EDWARDS" "KfcaKA3RXA" #n route iuve to Pearl Harbour E.T.A. 1/S.

Knea? Forces (See Appendix)

(1) TBM* are indications that two enemy striking forces are operating as follows -

- (s) The Northern Force including - 1 aircraft carrier (ainiJO)
 2 converted Carriers
 3 Heavy Cruisers ("NACHI" "ATASO"
 12 Destroyers "TARAO" }
 1 Submarine Squadron Subma

is believed operating in the Kurils - Aleutian Islands area and is being supported by a heavy bomber force operating from the Northern Kurils Is.

(b) The Southern Force under the command of the O in Q Second Fleet is still mobilising in the Saipan area. This force includes -

- 2 possibly 3 battle cruisers
- 4 possibly 6 aircraft carriers ("ARAOX" "KaeA" "Sara"
 "HI#YU" & possibly "UTKAKU")
- 2 Seaplane Carriers ("CHIYODA" "CHITOSR")
- 4 possibly 5 heavy cruisers (3-4 "Moged's" # one
 Destroyer "Tone" class)
- Special Base Establishment Unit
- Kav&l Landing Party Force

Supply vessels are believed to be mobilising in the Truk and Marshall Is areas. Air searches are being maintained to a depth of 200 miles to the eastward from the Marcus Is. area.

(c) The possible objective of the Northern Force is the Aleutian Islands.

The possible objective of the Southern Force is the Hawaiian Group including Midway Is.

C) SOOTHEAN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

TIT "ITJEMFT" "HURMER" departed Vila 2137/27 for Santo (New Hebrides).

- (ii) "ABT, JORE3" arrived Vila 0783/27.
- (iii) "WHIP LK" & "ALBIM" have been relieved by "UM" ft "PAUL JORRS" and are to proceed Tutuila for further orders.
- (iv) "BACILKY" at Tonsetabu has been relieved by "MSKRA" and is to proceed Hriatosne.
- (v) "CHVHM TI" WAS to rt.v. with 3 troopships 33 miles south of *Lila lalard (approx 200 miles * of Simon) at 0700/28.
- (vi) "JARVIS" & "PATTEH30R" (U.S. Destroyers) departed Pearl Harbour 22/5 for Sava. Later to proceed Sydney to cons under Use command of Ooswovespacfor:
- (vii) "A.3CASIA" escorting H.T. "SAHIRE" en route Sava to Auckland K.T.A. 0400/30. To depart Auckland 1400/A/E for P1J1 E.T.A. 5/6.
- (viii) "THOK18" & "Aiaar" en route Sydney to Noumea E.T.A. 1100 today 29/5.
- (ix) At Sava - "ACHILLES" "UZII" "SURSER" (Survey Ship) "TORKRY" (2/2)
- (x) At Vila - "AW, JOURS"
- (xi) At Sava - "XIWOPARRJI" (2/3)
- (xii) At Tonsetabu - "HICMO SD" "3ARKEH" Minediv 2 ("HAIUIAY" "MIDTWUMKRY" "3 LACK" (Bosaital Jtip) "KALIAHRA" (Oiler) "AIRIER" (Ammunition Ship) "RAMA P0m (Oiler) "AKTAMIS" (Store Ship) "ALSSSBAFUS" "HELLAIXX"
- (xiii) At Houtaea - "MILO&RA" "RILCARRXA" "SI3HOHSALE" "HVIWOH" Task Force 16.9 ("ZAK8HU1" A "KKtHtttff") "CHI2AMA"
- (xiv) At Auckland - "MORORAI" "HIGKL"

Enemy Forces

D) NORTHERN PACIFIC AREA

- An enemy aircraft was reported over Risks Is. (Aleutian Is.) on 24/5.

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Strategic Situation - Forces (See Appendix)

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British and Allied Forces

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Haider B - There have been no indications of the whereabouts of this raider since her attack on "BAMKIN" 1360 miles west of Frsiantle on 10/5.

2. H'VAL IKCIDKWTS

(1) 3YDKEY - An air raid warning was sounded at Sydney at 0507 today on receipt of a report that a Curtiss Type Float Plane had been sighted over Sydney Harbour at approx 0420 (Graded 3.1). Later reports indicated two unidentified float planes in Sydney Newcastle area. R.D.P. reports showed that aircraft were still in the area to seaward of Spoken Bay at 0730.

These aircraft cannot be identified and allied aircraft have been detailed to investigate.

(11) A four engined enemy aircraft unsuccessfully attacked the 3*S* "DAISY MOLLER" (British Tramp ship - 4,087 tons) position 7°48'K, 82°30'K (about 70 miles east of Ceylon) at 1046K/24/5.

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(I) Rabaul - Allied air attack at 21 2315K/27 by 8 S-117*s. Bombs dropped between Carpenter's wharf and road behind, three large fires observed burning fiercely. No casualties and only slight damage was sustained. The silhouettes of a number of ships were seen in the Harbour.

(II) Reconnaissance of Rabaul and Kavleag a.a. 27/5 (see Ensign Forces)*

(III) Allied air attack on Lae by 8 B.2C's at 0805K/28/5. One 3*20 was shot down into the sea off Lae, three other aircraft were damaged. One Type *0W fighter crashed into the sea, two were hit and another was seen down on the coast.

ENEMY

Fort Moresby was raided by approx 20 Type *0W fighters at 0610K/1n/26/5 - no damage was sustained, one type *0 fighter shot down, two possibly shot down. Two P.39's shot down, one other missing.

4. KNIB'FS PROBABLE W XT UOTd

(1) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.

(ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.

(iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.

(iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.

(v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central and South West Pacific area.

DIRECTOR C.O.I.C.
29/5/42

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A) 30CTB WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

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2* WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
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Approximately 49 store-baaed aircraft including 27 fighters*, 18 heavy botsbers, 4 R*F/P

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- 18 Motor Torpedo Boats
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Aircraft Carriers

Seaplane Carrier

3. EAST PACIFIC - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Ten submarine on patrol stations in China Sea or U.K.I. area (see appendix)*.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

Allied air reconnaissance on 29/5 sighted the following shipping -

- (a) Ewab Island (70 miles west of Aru Islands) - 28 pearling luggers in and around Ewab Island*.
- (b) Ambon - One ship near the mouth of Aniboina bay.

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (I) "Pohj" AET5SA&ite" "RASKASKIAM en route Suva to Pearl Harbour K.T.A.1/6.
- (II) "CUKTISS" Aircraft Tender and "MACPAKLANB" (Aircraft Tender) to proceed via Tutuila and Tongatapu to Samoa for duty with Comairscapae, reHawing, STMGTYMh & "JaBRKDITH" which to return to Pearl Harbour.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)

There are indications that two enemy striking forces are operating as follows -

- (a) The Northern Force under the command of C In C 5th Fleet includes -
 - 1 aircraft carrier ("RYUJO")
 - 2 converted Carriers
 - 3 Heavy Cruisers ("NAGM" "ATAGO" "TAKAO")
 - 20 Destroyers
 - 1 Squadron Submarines Squadron Submarines

This force is operating in the Kurile - Aleutian Islands area and is being supported by a heavy bomber force operating from the Northern Kurils Is.

- (b) The Southern Force under the command of the C In C second Fleet is mobilising in the Saipan area*. This force includes -
 - 2 possibly 3 battle cruisers
 - 4 possibly 5 aircraft carriers ("AKA31" "KA'AH" "SOHYU" "IHIHW" & 303s. "ZUIKAFU")
 - 2 Seaplane Carriers ("CHIYODA" "CHITQSE")
 - 4 possibly 5 heavy cruisers (3-4 "Jfogaal*s", one "Tone" class)
 - Destroyers
 - Special Base Establishment Unit
 - Naval Landing Party Force

Supply vessels are believed to be mobilising in the Truk and Warshille area*. Air searches are being maintained to a depth of 600 miles to the eastward from the Marcus Is. and lake,

- (c) Weather reporting vessels and submarines are operating east of the Kaachatca - Marcus - Wake - Marshalls area.
- (d) Increased enemy w/t activity has been noted with emphasis on the Hawaiian and Aleutian Is. areas.
- (a) An increased number of naval auxiliaries have been recently noted in the Marshalls area.
- (f) The probable objective of the Northern Force is the western Aleutians.
- The probable objective of the Southern Force is the Hawaiian Group including Midway.
- (g) Present intelligence indicates both operations will begin by the end of the first week in June.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (I) "LEANDER" departed Vila 2187/271 for 2San/27 (New Hebrides) (New Hebrides).
- (II) "WHIPPLE" & "ALREN" have been relieved by "BULMER" & "PAUL JONES" and are to proceed to Tutuila for further orders.
- (III) "BABLEY" at Tongatabu has been relieved by "rsARIEH" and is to proceed Brisbane.
- (IV) "CHSVRETTIL" was to R.V. with 3 troopships 35 miles south of Wallis Island (approx 200 miles W. of Samoa) at 0700/2B.
- (v) "JARVIS" & "PATTERSON" (II* S. Destroyers) departed Pearl Harbour 22/5 for Suva. Later to proceed Sydney to cosm under the command of Ccosowespacor.
- (vi) "ASCANIA" escorting E.T. "WAHINE" en route Suva to Auckland E.T.A. 0400/30. To depart Auckland 1400/1/6 for Fiji E.T.A. 5/6.

DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

30th May, 1942

1. DISPOSITIONS ALLIED 6 ENEMY NAVAL FORCESA) SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC AREA1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

"SALT LAKE CITY" "HOBART" "HENLEY" "HKLH"
"MUGPORD" & "FLUSS3R" at Brisbane.

- (11) "CHICAGO" & "PERKINS" At Sydney. To depart 1/6 for firing practice then to join Task Force 44 at HOO/S/6.
- (111) "CANBERRA" arrived Sydney 1907/28.
- (iv) Task Force 44 (less "CANBERRA") to proceed to Port Moresby on 1/6 to R.V. with "CANBERRA" from Sydney on 2/6, and carry out exercises. F.C., C.A.S. will transfer his Flag from "AUSTRALIA" to "CANBERRA" on 3/6. "AUSTRALIA" & U.S. "HELM" will proceed Sydney arriving 5/6. Remainder of Task Force 44 to berth in Brisbane River.
- (v) "WALKE" repairing at Brisbane. Expected to depart today 30/5 for Pearl Harbour via Noumea, Suva, Tutuila.
- (vi) Convoy ZK8 - "GOULBURN" & "CE.33NOCK" escorting 2 vessels en route Townsville to Port Moresby war* due to arrive 1600 yesterday 29/d. "COLAC" & "STAM" departed Port Moresby for Townsville 27/5 after escorting one vessel. K.T.A. "GOLAC" 1200 today 30/S. "S??AN" is to H.V. with "BKHD00" escorting 2 ships at 2200 today 30/5 approx 120 miles North by East of Cairns and provide additional escort to Moresby. If conditions are suitable earlier contact with Convoy is to be made.
"TROMP" returning to Sydney after escorting one vessel towards Townsville, which is to arrive today 30/5.
- (vii) "TROUP" "WABRS00" & "SS&FRIDGE" escorting Convoy ZK9 (2 ships) to depart Sydney 0953/31. To fuel from "JINJROMBA" at Townsville. Three other ships to join Convoy.
- (viii) "PARROTT" & "BLACK HAWK" departed Sydney 1624/29 for Pearl Harbour via Tutuila.
- (ix) "WKYALLA" en route Adelaide to Sydney E.T.A. 1400 today 30/5.
- (x) "BALLARAT" & "YAKRHAVBOOL" arrived Townsville 1635/27.
- (xi) "TOWNSVILLE" arrived Townsville 0745/28 from Larwin.
- (xii) "KALGGILIE" departed Melbourne 0630/29 for Swan Island en route Sydney E.T.A. 0700/1/6.
- (xiii) "DOBBIN" & "SILFRIM" arrived Sydney 0335/29.
- (xiv) "BOMBAY" F.T.A. Sydney 1100/29 from Broken Bay.
- (xv) "KANGAROO" "KOALA" departed Cairns 0600/29 for Thursday Island and Wednesday Island E.T.A. p.m. 1/6. 2 lighters and 1 skid in tow.
- (xvi) "ORAKJE" (Dutch Hospital Ship) arrived Melbourne 1645/28.
- (xvii) At Sydney - "ARUNTA" "WK3TRALIA" "KANIMHLA" "MAMOORA" "WARREGO" "ABRAHAM CKYN33KK" "K.12" "K.9" DOBBIN" "SELFRIDGE" "W.B.PRESTOS"
Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LS TRIOMPANT" "VICTOKIA"
- (xviii) At Melbourne - "PR5G1G"
Repairing - "VENDETTA"
- (xix) At Brisbane - "GRIFFIN" "TULSA" "ATHEGSH" "ALSBY"
- (xx) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix.

Enemy Forces (See Appendix)2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTORBritish and Allied Forces

- (i) "STGAHT" & "WOYAG3.1W" departed Fremantle 1752/29 for Geraldton E.T.A. 0900/30.
- (ii) "HERON" en route Fremantle to Exmouth Gulf 3.1.A. p.m. ka yesterday 29/5.
- (iii) "GEITALPTON" arrived Fremantle from Albany 0659/28.
- (iv) "CHILDS" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (v) At Fremantle - "PJfKKIX" "OTU3" "K.6" (see Appendix) "GOLDSTAR" (Store Ship) "EKLING BROVIG" (Oiler) "ISABEL" (Gunboat) "RDNJAB" "LANAKAI" "GERALDTON"
- (vi) At Albany - "HOLLASH" (see appendix) U.S. Minesweepers "LARK" "WHIPPOOHWILL"
- (vii) For submarines in Western Sector - see Appendix.

8" Cruisers

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6" Cruisers

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 SNAPPER) At Fremantle
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 K.8 At Fresno

Dutch submarine

3. EAST INDUS - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied forces

In submarines on patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see above)

Enemy Forces

2 - 6* submarines
 12 Destroyers
 Several Converted seaplane tenders

Timor

Approximately 36 shore-based aircraft including 21 fighters, 15 heavy bombers

Ball

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 18 heavy bombers, 4 R.F/P

Ambon

Approximately 57 shore-based aircraft including 9 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 12 float planes

B) CENTRAL PACIFIC APKA

British and Allied forces

Warships

Effective

MOLORITO (8-16")
 MARYLAND (8-16")
 MISSISSIPPI (12-14")
 NEW MEXICO (12-14")
 IDAHO (12-14")
 TOINESEE (12-14")
 PENNSYLVANIA (12-14")

Refitting or Repairing

NEVADA (to be ready about 1/10)

Aircraft Carriers

SARATOGA YORKTOWN
 ENTERPRISE

8" Cruisers

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 ASTARIA
 PORTLAND
 INDIANAPOLIS
 VINCENNES
 INDIANAPOLIS
 NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE
 SAN FRANCISCO

6" Cruisers

CHESTER
 PENSACOLA
 HONOLULU HELENA
 DETROIT RALEIGH
 ATLANTA BOISE

Destroyers

ST. LOUIS
 30 (approx)

Submarines

23 (approx)

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DAILY APPRECIATION - MCDIFF & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITIES

30/5/42

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

1. EASTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
English and Allied Warships
6H Cruisers

Effective
AWSTRALIA

Refitting or Repairing

6* Cruisers
Flotilla Leaders

CANBERRA
CHICAGO
SALT LAKE CITY
HOBART
TROJ5P

ADELAIDE
LE TRIOMPHANT
ARUKTA

Destroyers

HENLEY
HELM
PERKINS
PARROTT
FLUS3ER
MUOFORD
SELFRIBGE

VENDETTA
WALKE (ETD 30/S)

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On Patrol

At Brisbane

Dutch Submarines

X.9)
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At Sydney

A.M.C.*s

WESTRALIA
KANIMBLA
MANOORA

3/P Tender
Submarine Tender
Destroyer/Tenders

GRIFFIN
DOBBIN
SLACK HAWK
TULSA

← W.B. RESTON (ETD.31/6)

Enemy Forces

New *Tjinnick* - Bismarck Archipelago - Solomons Area

Possibly 1 High cruiser

Approx 8 destroyers

Approx 10 Merchant Ships

1 Squadron Submarines

1 Sub Depot Ship

C in C Mandates Fleet (4th)

C in C Mandates Air Force

Approx 132 shore-based aircraft including probably 67 fighters, 30 heavy bombers, 16 flying boats and 19 float planes

9 Motor Torpedo Boats

2. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR
British and Allied Warships

Effective

Refitting or Repairing

6" cruiser
Flotilla Leader
Destroyer
8/p Tenders

PHOENIX
STUART
VOYAGER
HERON
CHILDS
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HOLLAND

Submarine Tenders

- (viii) "TUUKENI" * "RIGHT" en route Sydney to Noumea were due 1100/29/55. After transferring avgas to "TANGIER" to sail for Pearl Harbour via Suva and Ssesoa.
- (viii) "MEREDITH" departed Noumea 27/55 for unknown destination and returned 1000/29.
- (ix) At Suva - "TIPF8CAHQEI" "ACHILLAS" "O'BRIEN" "SUMNER" (Survey Ship) "TURKEY" (U/S)
- (x) At Vila - "PASIL JOKES"
- (xi) At Suva - "KINGFISHER" (K/S)
- (xii) At Tongatabu - "RICHMOND" "BARKER" (Mined by 2) ("RAMSAY" "MOHTOOIOHY") "SOLACE" (Hospital Ship) "KAHAWHA" (Oiler) "RAINIER" (Axamutlcm Ship) "RAMAPO" (Oiler) "INTAKES" (Store Ship) "ALDEBARAK" "BELLATRIX" "WHITSEY" (Destroyer Tender) "FARHAGIST" (Destroyer) - Refitting.
- (xiii) At Noumea - "MILDTJKA" "FFILCAKNIA" "BISHOPDALR" "MERKUR" Task Force 10.9 ("TANGIER" + "MEREDITH") "CUYAMA"
- (xiv) At Auckland - "MONO*AX" "HIGEL"

Rnsras Forces

- (I) TasraST - There are indications of the presence of an enemy submarine in a position approx 300 miles NNE of Auckland at 0835/29.
- (II) An enemy submarine proceeding S.W. by S. was sighted in a position 17° 52' S, 174° 05' E (approx 280 miles N. of Noumea) at 0923/28 #

D) K*RTISRfj PACIFIC AREA

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- Alaska - 2 enemy submarines have been sighted in Alaskan waters.
- Aleutian Is. (1) One Japanese Seaplane believed to be from a converted ais toatw ifndti has been sighted in the Aleutian Islands area.
- (11) An enemy submarine was operating in the vicinity of Kiska on 27/5.

E) SOJTB g g EASTERN PACIFIC AREA

SHUfitt anff ATn^T Forces (See Appendix)

F) INDIAN OCEAN AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (I) "TRINITY" en route Albany to Abadan n.T.A# 4/6#

2. HAVA! INCIUEKTS

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A was message was intercepted at 1258/29 from s#s: "ANQLO-KAEHSK" (British 7705 tons) en route Sydney to Aberdeen, in a position 30° 10' S, 89° 31' E (approx 1440 miles I. of Fremantle).

Cosraesit = tuwai German Balder E who attacked the "ANKINB 1360 miles west of Fremantle on 10/5 and has not been reported since could well have been in this area#

3. AIR OPERATIONS

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- i Rabaul - Two B.17's attacked the docks at Rabaul at 0140/29 dropping botabs (including incendiaries) between the coaling jetty and a new wharf. No allied losses. weather prevented observation of dipping in Harbour and of effect of bombs.
- Dilll - Three Hudsons attacked the wharf and adjacent buildings at "STETl at 0015/29. Direct hits were scored on the post office. No allied losses.

Enemy

- titu - 8 bombs were dropped at Mubo (approx 12 Miles S. of S& araua) "aE" 2140/27.
- Hood Bay ((50 miles S.R. of Port Moresby) - 11 P.39's intercepted 35 to "fg" type "0" fighters at Hood Bay at 0950/39. Three enemy planes were shot down, 2 probably shot down, and three others seriously damaged. Allied losses - one P.39 missing#

4. FEK/Y>3 PROIA. MEXI MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands#
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) increased submarine and surface raider activity in the Central & S.W. Pacific area.

Palau - Saipan - Bonins - Japan
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 If) Aircraft Carriers

Refitting or Repairing

- KAQA
- HITQ
- mstv
- AKAOI
- RWJO
- ZUIXAKU
- HOSOC
- KITTA MARU
- KASUQA feAHU

SHOKAKU

13 - 8" Cruisers
 2 - 5" Cruisers
 2 Seaplane Carriers (BCHIT05EB "CHRSTODA")
 3 Converted Sealine Tenders {"KAKIKAWA MAJ" NG03mnhAW* "FUJIKAWA M.w")
 50 Destroyers
 30 Submarines

Mandated Islands
Yuk Area

4 Light Cruisers
 1 Converted Seaplane Tender ("FAAOI")
 Some units 4th Fleet
 Several Chartered Merchant Ships
 Special Landing Party Force (Marines)
 1 Submarine Division
 7 Motor Torpedo Boats

Marshalls

At least 4 submarine squadrons from 6th Fleet
 1 U/P Flotilla (16th)
 Air Tenders and Minesweepers
 At least 20 Chartered Merchant Ships
 15 Motor Torpedo Boats
 Coastal Defense Force

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Torcaas
 & Cruisers

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Refitting or Repairing

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A/C Tender
 S/P Tender
 Approx 20 Destroyers

E) NORTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 1 Cruiser

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E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA
British and Allied Forces
 1 Cruiser

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P) INDIAN OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Forces
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Aircraft Carriers

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A.A. Vessels

Destroyers
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Enemy forces
2 - 6w Urjlers
10 Destroyers
20 Submarines
C in C Southern Exped itionary Fleet

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DAILY APPRECIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

31st May 1942

1. DXSPQSITX 0123 At 1.1E1 & RWFEY KAVAL FORCES

A) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

X. EASTSBF AUSTRALIA SECTOR

g.g. T.O. Yara Hill Coal Force a

(Inr "AfoMitlaw (Flag) "KAP LAKE CITY" "SOLART" "KEHLEY"

"BELM" "HSOFCKB" & "FLVSSSH" at Brisbane.

- (ii) "CHICAGO" & "PBR&INSW" at Sydney. To depart 1/6 for firing practice thence to join Teak Popae 44 at 1100/5/6.
- (iii) "CAEBEIRA" arrived Sydney 1907/30.
- (iv) Task Force 44 (less "CAfcbEKKA") to process isoneton Say on 1/6 to r.v. with "CANBERRA" from Sydney on 2/6, and carry out exercises. F.O.C.A. S. will transfer his Flag from "AUSTRALIA" to "WCA-BEKHA" on 3/6. "AUSTRALIA" & C.S. "HELM" will proceed Sydney arriving 5/6. Remainder of Task Force 44 to berth in Brisbane River?
- (v) "WALKEB" at Brisbane. Has to depart 30/5 for Pearl Barbour via Noumea, Suva, Tutuila.
- (vi) Convoy ZKB - "COULBURN" & "WCK335 OCS" escorting 2 vessels en route Townsville to Port Horesby were due to arrive 1600/2/5. "COLAC" & "SWANA" departed Port Moresby for Townsville 27/5 after escorting one vessel. "COLAC" expected to depart Cairns at 1300/31 to R.V. with "TCHSSVILLF" escorting transoceanic "RASTAS". "SSAIF" is to R.V. with "BEHDIOO" escorting 3 ships at 2200/30/5 approx. 100 miles North by East of Cairns and provide additional escort to Moresby: If conditions are suitable earlier contact with Convoy is to be made. "Taoap" returning to Sydney after escorting one vessel towards Townsville, which is to arrive 30/5.
- (vii) "THOMP" "WAHOIGO" (k/jn ready) and "SELPRIBOB" escorting Convoy Zm (2 ships) to depart Sydney 0969/31. To fuel from "EAROMBA" at Townsville. Three other ships to join Convoy.
- (viii) "PARROTT" & "BIAOC MIC" departed Sydney 1624/29 for Pearl Barbour via Tutuila. E.T.A. Tutuila 7/8.
- (ix) "WHYALLIA" arrived Sydney 1605/30.
- (x) "BALHARAT" & "WARRIAMBQGL" arrived Townsville 1635/27.
- (xi) "KALOOOLIE" departed Port Phillip 1800/29. E.T.A. Sydney 0700/1/6#
- (xii) "BGS8H8" & "SELFRZDOE" arrived Sydney 0635/29.
- (xiii) "BOMBAY" E.T.A. Sydney 1100/29 from Broken Bay.
- (xiv) "KAMQAROOB" "KOALA" departed Cairns 0600/29 for Thursday Island and Wednesday Island E.T.A. p.m. 1/6. Two lighters and 1 akifi in tow.
- (xv) "ORANJK" (Dutch Hospital Ship) passed Wilson's Prom. E. at 1952/29 en route Sydney H.T.A. 1600/30.
- (xvi) "MORESHX" departed Adelaide 1736/26 for Spencer Gulf, arrived Whyalla 1830/29.
- (xvii) "A6LEY" arrived Brisbane 1230/30.
- (xviii) "GAXRHS" to proceed on trials at 0931/1/6 and on completion to proceed to Sydney.
- (xix) "KARUMBA" departed Brisbane 1100/30 E.T.A. Townsville A.M. 2/6.
- (xx) At Sydney - "ARGETA" "W16TRALKA" "IMELAA" "MASOORA" "SARHBOO" "ABHARAM CHYUSSKN" "K.12" "X.9" "P.3B.W" "W.B.PHBSTOI".
 Refitting - "ADELAIDE" "LE MIOHPHAN?" "VICTORIA".
- (xxi) At Melbourne - "PHOWO" Repairing "VEHDETTA"
- (xxii) At Brisbane - "ORXPFIK" "TULSA" "ATREUS" "ALSSY" "BAOLEY".
- (xxiii) For submarines in Eastern Sector - see Appendix#

Strength Forces (see Appendix)

8. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTOR

British and Allied Forces

- (i) "STANLEY" "WAGGEST" arrived Geraldton 1127/30.
- (ii) "HERON" en route Fremantle to Exmouth Gulf E.T.A. p.a. 29/5.
- (iii) "GERALDOS" arrived Fremantle from Albany 0859/28.
- (iv) "CITRUS" at Exmouth Gulf.
- (v) "WILLOW" departed Darwin for escort duty in accordance with instructions at 0620/50.
- (vi) At Fremantle - "PHOENIX" "ATLAS" "K.A." (see appendix)
"GOLD STAR" (Store Ship) "RRLING BROVIG"
(Oiler) "GLSKW9" (Gunboat) "PUHJAS" "LAHAXAI"
"GERALDTON".
- (vii) At Albany - "SOLLAND" (see appendix) U.S. Minewarppers
"LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL".
- (viii) For submarines in Western Sector - see appendix.

9. EAST INDIES - PHILIPPINES

British and Allied Forces

Ten submarines as patrol stations in China Sea or N.E.I. area (see appendix)

B) CINCPACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

- (i) Convoy P. 2076 (consisting of 6 transports for Suva and 1 transport for Australia) dep. from San Francisco 2100Z/25/5. "PRINCIPAL COOLIDGE" and "SANTA LUCIA" are to proceed direct to Suva. "SANTA CLARA" "UNION" "GKHEAL PAKZ" and "PRESIDENT KOIKO" are to discharge at Auckland. "H.B. BLISS" (U.S. Tanker) is to proceed from Auckland to Australia. "LEAF" "TUCKER" and "CUMMINGS" are to proceed with "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE" and "SANTA LUCIA" to Suva to cover discharge of transports, and then escort them between Suva and Auckland as required. "S.B. PRINCIPAL" and "FARBAGUT" are to escort remainder of Convoy to Auckland.
- (ii) "FORD" "EXETER" "KASASIA" en route Suva to Pearl Harbour E.T.A. 1/6.
- (iii) "CURTISS" (Aircraft Tender) and "LAL" (Aircraft Tender) to proceed via Tutuila and Tongatabu to Suva for duty with Comairoupa, relieving "TAHOI" & "MARBETH" which are to return to Pearl Harbour.

Enemy Forces (see appendix)

There are indications that 2 enemy striking forces are operating as follows:

(a) The Northern Force under the command of C in C 5th Fleet includes -

- 1 aircraft carrier "RYUNO"
- 2 converted Carriers ("HITTA MARU" "KASUGA LAHUP")
- 3 Heavy Cruisers ("NACRI" "BATAGOB" "TAKAO")
- 20 Destroyers
- 1 Squadron Submarines
- 1st Base Force

This force is operating in the Kurile - Aleutian Islands area and is being supported by a heavy bomber force operating from the Northern Kurils Is.

(b) The Southern Force under the command of the C in C Second Fleet is mobilising in the Saipan area. This force includes -

- 2 possibly 3 battle cruisers
- 4 possibly 5 aircraft carriers "AKAGI" "SAGA" "SOHYU" "KIRYU" & poss. "ZUIKAKU"
- 2 Seaplane Carriers ("CHIYODA" "CKITOSE")
- At least 4 possibly 9 heavy cruisers (5-4 "Hogami"s" one "Tons" class)
- Destroyers
- Submarines
- Special Base Unit
- Naval Landing Party Force

Supply vessels are believed to be mobilising in the Truk and Marshalls area. Air searches are being maintained to a depth of 500 miles to the eastward from the Serous Islands.

- (o) Weather reporting vessels and submarines are operating east of the Kaachatea - Bareus - Marshall's area,
- (d) Increased enemy U/R activity has been noted with emphasis on the Hawaii and Aleutian Is. areas.
- (e) An increased number of naval auxiliaries have been recently noted in the Marshalls area.
- (f) The probable objective of the Northern Force is the Western Aleutians.
The probable objective of the Southern Force is the Hawaiian Group including Midway.
- (g) Present Intelligence indicates both operations will begin by the end of the first week in June.

C) SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA

US and Allied Forces

- (i) Task Group 21.1 (LSTs "PAUL JONES" "BUENOS AIRES") on completion of present duty at Vila about 31/5, to proceed from Vila to Suva. "LSAMDEH" to be prepared to depart Suva about 4/6 for escort duty, and on arrival of "BRIGHT" and "TITCKE" at Suva, "BUENOS AIRES" and "PAUL JONES" to relieve "BUENOS AIRES" as escort for "WHICH?" and escort her via Samoa to Pearl. "TITCKE" to report for duty to "LISA".
- (ii) "WHIPPLE" and "ATLANTIC", on completion of fuelling at Tutuila about 1/6, to proceed Pearl Harbour.
- (iii) "CHERRY" was to r.v. with 5 troopships 38 miles south of Wallis Island (approx. 800 miles W. of Samoa) at 0700/28.
- (iv) "JAHVIS" & "PATTON" (U.S. Destroyers) departed Pearl Harbour 22/5 for Suva. Later to proceed Sydney to come under the command of Coaswespafor.
- (v) "SCAKIA" escorting H.T. "MILSE" arrived Auckland 1130/30.
- (vi) "TUENBE" is to r.v. on route Sydney to Noumea en route H.B. 1100/29/5. After transferring avgas to "TAMOB" / "LISA" for Pearl Harbour via Suva and Samoa.
- (vii) "FAHAGOT" is "CGAMIKOS" to depart Tonga in time to r.v. with convoy RS/2076.
- (ix) At Samoa - "TIPPECAHVS" "ACHXLLKS" "OBREM" "SOLACE" (Survey Ship) "TURKEY" (N/S)
- (x) At Vila - "PAUL JONES"
- (xi) At Suva - "SINGPISHER" (K/S)
- (xii) At Tongatabu - "BIGSON" "LAFB" (Miner 2) {"OBTSON" "LISA"} "SOLACE" (Hospital Ship) "KAHAWHA" (Oiler) "RAIKXK" (Ammunition Ship) "HAKPO" (Oiler) "AFFAHE" (Store Ship) "ALDEBAHAR" "BELLA7RIX" "WHITNEY" (Destroyer Tender) "FAERAGUTH" (Destroyer) - Refitting.
- (xiii) At Noumea - "MILDTBA" "ILGANSIA" "BIOPBALE" "AHLKUH" Task Force 16.9 ("TASCISS" & "MGBDI7K") "CVXAMEC".
- (xiv) At Auckland - "HOHOW" "RIOEL".

Enemy Forces

- (i) Tonga Sea - There are indications of the presence of an enemy submarine in a position approx. 300 miles W.S. of Auckland at 0335/29.
- (ii) An enemy submarine proceeding S. by S. was sighted in a position 17°S, 164°08'E (approx. 165 miles W. of Noumea) at 0923/28.
- (iii) The enemy unit, probably a submarine, referred to in (i) above, had moved to a position 40 miles S.E. of Sydney at 1910/29.

D) NORTH PACIFIC AREA

Enemy Forces

- Alaska - 2 enemy submarines have been sighted in Alaskan waters.
- Kiska - (1) One Japanese Seaplane believed to be from a converted seaplane tender has been sighted in the Aleutian Island area.
- (2) An enemy submarine was operating in the vicinity of Kiska on 27/5.

E) SOUTH PACIFIC AREA

US and Allied Forces (see appendix)

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P) IAHAI OCEAN AREA
British and Allied Area
TIT MAIL SERVICE en route Albany to Abadan E.T.A. 4/8*

2. SAVAL INTERCEPTS

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- (i) A QQQQ message was intercepted at 1238/20 from s.a. "ANGLO-
MARTSKH" (British 7705 tons) en route Sydney to Abadan, in a
position 30°X0' S. 89°3X'E. (approx. 440 miles N. of
Fremantle)*.
Copies German Raider E who attacked the "MSHM" 1300
miles west of Fremantle on X0/5, and has not been
reported since, could well have been in this area*.
- (ii) An RHHK message was intercepted at 12 8/29 from S.S. "CROSSAT"
in a position 36°57' S. 2X°15'E. (approx. 250 miles S.E.
Capetown). The vessel was reported as an "unknown Air Carrier".
- (iii) A CWQ message was intercepted from "BEACON" (U.S. 10,380
tons) in a position 29°48' S. 6°47' E. at 0730Z/30.

3. AIR OPERATIONS

Allied

Tulagi: Four Catalinas attacked F/b'e, wharf and Fuel Pumphs
at Tulagi between 2300/A and 2345/X on 9/3*.
One F/S set on fire*. A/A posts allenced. Large
fires and explosions caused at wharf. Pires visible
for 80 miles.

4. WMM'S PROBABLE BESS MOVE

- (i) Attack on U.S. bases in Aleutian Islands.
- (ii) Attack on U.S. bases in Central Pacific including Midway and
Hawaiian Islands.
- (iii) Consolidation of bases in Solomon Islands.
- (iv) Attack on Port Moresby area.
- (v) Increased submarine and surface raider activity in the
Central & S.W. Pacific area.

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DAILY ASSOCIATION - PACIFIC & INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITY

21/8/42

k) SOUTH WESTERN PACIFIC AREA

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8. WESTERN AUSTRALIA SECTION
British and Allied Forces
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British and Allied Forces

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Several Converted seaplane landers

Tiaer

Approximately 30 shore-based aircraft including 21 fighters, IS heavy bombers

Bali

Approximately 49 shore-based aircraft including 27 fighters, 10 heavy bombers, 4 R.F/p

Arsoa

Approximately 57 shore-based aircraft including 9 fighters, 36 heavy bombers, 1 float plane

B) CSS ?SAL PACIFIC AREA

British and Allied Forces

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Enemy Forces

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