

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

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

No. 992

Date 16 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/16:

(1) (a) Elements Task Forces 77, 78, 79 at sea.

(b) Task Force 70.1 : 1 AGP: "MODJACK"
30 PT

Task Force 72 : 5 SS: "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "SEA WOLF" "PERMIT"
On Patrol : 7 SS: "NARWHAL" "NAUTILUS" "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON"
On Passage : "STINGRAY" "S.42"

Task Force 73 : 1 AV: "TANGIER" 2 AVR

Miscellaneous : 2 AVP: "SAN PABLO" "ORCA"

: 4 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "COWRA" "KIAMA"

: 4 PF: "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "BURDEKIN"

18 AP/AK 2 YOG 2 FS 11 LCT 1 YP: 237

2 LCM 2 YO 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD

(2) "GEN.W.F.HASE" departed Manus 1100/14 for Pearl Harbor.

(3) "LITHGOW" (AMS) was to depart Madang 14 Oct for Hollandia.

(4) "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA) was to depart Langemak 15 Oct for Manus.

(b) In Harbour:

Singapor:

Combat units 11 PT

Escorts 1 : 1 PE: "EL PASO"

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AOG: "RIO GRANDE"

Noemfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG)

Biak-Woendi:

Combat units 39 PT

Escorts 4 : 2 PF: "LONG BEACH" "ORANGE"

: 2 AMS: "DROOME" "TOWNSVILLE"

Auxiliaries 21 : "CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" (AGP)

"KURUMBA" "VICTORIA" (AO) "SUSQUEHANNA" "CHETCO" (AT)

"TEAK" (YN) "COMFORT" (AH) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF)

"LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YB) "REMUS" (ARL) 2 YP: 23, 278

1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "DENDIGO" "LATROBE"

Auxiliaries 1 : "OCTORARA" (IX)

Aboldt Bay:

Combat units 1 CL: "NASHVILLE"

7 DD: "RUSSELL" "DUSH" "AMER READ" "O'DANNON" "EDWARDS" "TAYLOR"

"EDWARDS"

Humboldt Bay: (Cont)

Escorts 27 : 3 AMS: "DELORAIN" "GLENELG" "WAGGA"
 8 PF: "OGDEN" "SAN PEDRO" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST"
 "HUTCHINSON" "ROCKFORD" "MUSKOGEE"
 5 PC: 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 3 SC: 698, 745, 981
 8 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 313, 334, 384

Auxiliaries 39 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "BISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON"
 (AVP) "ESCALANTIE" "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "DOBBERIN" (AD) "INDUS"
 "SABIK" "CASSIOPEIA" "MURZIM" (AK) "MINK" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS"
 (IX) "DERRICK" (YO) "HIDATSA" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "POYANG" "PYRO"
 (AE) "MIDAS" (ARD) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF)
 "CULERA ISLAND" (ARG) "CABLE" (ARS) "OTUS" (AS)
 "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ASR) 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12 2 YFD
 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25 4 YP: 216, 240, 291, 292

Atape:
 Combat units 18 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC: 1132

Admiralties:
 Combat units 1 CVE: "RUDYERD DAY"
 1 DD: "EVANS"
 2 SS: "S.45" "S.47"

Escorts 24 : 11 DE: "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CANDANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES" "MANNING" "THOMASON"
 "WILLIAM C. MILLER" "NEVENLORFF"
 2 PF: "EUGENE" "HAWKESBURY" 3 SC: 747, 982, 1274
 1 ML: 827 2 PC: 500, 1124 6 YMS: 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393

Auxiliaries 48 : "TRINITY" "CAHADIA" "SEVERN" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO)
 "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "JASON" (ARH) "DRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR)
 "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM) "ARCTIC" (AF) "ALABASTER" (PYC)
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "DIPHDA" (AKA) "CASTOR"
 (AKS) "NAOS" "ARIDEL" "ZAUACK" "CETUS" "HYPERION" "LYRA"
 "SAGITTARIUS" "MINTAKA" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES" "SHAULA" "TRIANGULUM"
 (AK) "LAURADADA" (AG) "ANDREW DORIA" "CARIBOU" "ARMADILLO"
 "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" "ARENDIA" "ARETHUSA" (IX) "CEBU" (ARG)
 "DUNTROON" (AP) "RAIL" "TERN" "TAWABA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA"
 "PIEDMONT" (AD) 3 YP: 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 7 : 1 SC: 743 2 ML: 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 3 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN"

Auxiliaries 4 : "KOOPA" (AG) "DINGERA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) 1 YP: 504

Longemak:
 Escorts 14 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN" 4 PC: 218, 585, 1121, 1591 1 YMS: 46
 6 SC: 659, 734, 738, 739, 748, 750 2 ML: 810, 806

Auxiliaries 11 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (LM) "GEN. R. E. CALLAN" (AP)
 "MINDANAO" (ARG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "STAG" (AV) 1 AFD: 10

Oro Bay:

Auxiliaries 1 : "MONTEREY" (AP)

Milne Bay:

Combat units 1 ODD: "VENETTA"
 Escorts 7 : 2 AMS: "GYMPIE" "GEELONG" 1 YMS: 315 1 PC: 479
 3 SC: 732, 735, 736

Auxiliaries 15 : "ETAMIN" "GANIMEDE" (AK) "RESERVE" "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCREL" "WATO"
 (AT) "SILVERBELL" (YN) "EMPIRE BATTLEAXE" (APA) "WHIPPOORWILL"
 (AM) 1 ARD: 9 3 YP: 233, 283, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/16

- (1) "CAP DES PALMES" (AG) escorting "ALKAIL" (AK) was to depart Russells 14 Oct for Torokina Munda, Green Is, Emirau, Torokina.
 (2) "YP.520" departed Russells 0600/14 for Green Is. ETA 1300/16.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 3 : 3 SC : 620, 502, 723
 Auxiliaries 2 : 1 YP : 514 1 AG: "PATAPSCO"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS: 95
 Auxiliaries 2 : 2 YP : 348, 515

Torokina:

Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "LOVELACE" 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 YMS: 259
 4 PC : 476, 477, 598, 1123
 Auxiliaries 2 : "TAGANAK" (AO) "JAMESTOWN" (AGP)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGM
 Escorts 8 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 2 PC : 598, 605 1 YMS: 47
 3 SC : 677, 722, 1074
 Auxiliaries 4 : "DUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS) "WHIPSTOCK" (YO) 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS: "KIWI"
 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 2 : "CAMANGA" (AG) "CYGNUS" (AF)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/16:

- (1) "CRUX" (AK) was to depart Brisbane 1130/11 for Manus ETA 1200/19.
- (2) "YUNNAN" (AE) was to depart Sydney PM 14 Oct for Brisbane and Hollandia.
- (3) "EVANGELINE" (XAPC) departed Milne Bay 1500/12 for Sydney ETA 1600/16.
- (4) "MESQUITE" (CGC) departed Milne Bay 1300/11 for Brisbane ETA 2200/16.
- (5) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0300/6 for Brisbane ETA approx 18 Oct tending S.E. New Guinea, Lihon, Frederick Reef lights en route.
- (6) "YMS.94,99" were to depart Noumea 13 Oct for Sydney.
- (7) "PC.1228" was to depart Sydney AM 15 Oct for Port Purvis ETA 20 Oct.
- (8) "MONADNOCK" (CM) departed Guadalcanal 1200/14 for Brisbane ETA Caloundra 0700/18.
- (9) "CHIPPEWA" (AT) departed Oro Bay 2330/12 for Newcastle ETA AM 21 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERDARDOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 3 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE" 2 ML : 426, 818
 Auxiliaries 2 : 2 AGS: "VIGILANT" "STELLA"

Cairns:

Escorts 7 : 3 AMS: "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLALSTONE" 3 ML : 428, 431, 816
 1 SC : 699
 Auxiliaries 5 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 1 AFD: 3
 3 APA: "GLENEARN" "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" "LOTHIAN"

Townsville:

Escorts 1 : "BARCOO" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "TASMAN" (AH)

Lowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 12 : 1 AMS: "WHYALLA" 1 PC : 1131 2 HDML: 1324, 1329
 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 9 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "DENALLA"
 "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "CALAMARES" (AF) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "PONTUS"
 (AGP) 1 YP : 420

Sidney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 DD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 12 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 2 AMS: "KAPUNDA" "STAWELL" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC: 1138
 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"

Sydney: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 8 : "RIGEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA"
"MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "GOLLSTAR" (AG) "MERCUR" (AF) "DUNGAREE" (CM)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"
1 DL : "NAPIER"
Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMDA" (A/S) "DALLARAT" (AMS)
Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "DUNDEBERG" "DATHURST"

NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/15:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol : 24 SS : "ANGLER" "DECUNA" "BERGALL" "DOWFIN" "DREAM" "CERO"
"COL" "BLUEGILL" "DONEYFISH" "CAVALLA" "FLASHER" "HOE"
"HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "RAY" "MINGO" "PORPOISE" "ROCK"
"HAWKBILL" "SPITEFUL" "SEA ROVER" "ZWAARDFISCH" "RATON"
"GUITARRO"
On Passage : 14 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "D ARBERO" "REDFIN" "SIREAR"
"STUDY" "STOIC" "D ATFISH" "BAYA" "GURNARD" "STORM"
"TANTIVY" "K.15"

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 9 : 5 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM"
4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907
Auxiliaries 3 : "COUCAL" (ASR) "PORT MORESEY" "SHEPPATON" (AGS)
Millingimbi:
Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/16:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 CL : "KENYA"
1 DL : "NEPAL"
12 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADDO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
"P.318" "TANTALUS" "K.14" "O.19" "MUSKELLUNGE"
Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
: 10 AMS: "DUBDO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
"INVERELL" "DUNEURY" "PARKES" "WARRNAMDOOL"
Auxiliaries 6 : 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
: "GRIFFIN" "EUBEYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISRAEL" (PY)
1 ARD: 10
1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Luzon - On 14 Oct. fighter sweeps were conducted over N. Luzon by carrier-borne aircraft. Incomplete details only have been received and these are shown later in this Summary under Central Pacific.
On 15 Oct. a large ammunition ship was sunk by U. S. Submarine of Calavite.
- (2) Mindoro Area - Photos 13 Oct. of the Mangarin seaplane anchorage on S.W. Mindoro show 9 floatplanes present; servicing and repair facilities appear limited.
- (3) Central Philippines - At 1050/15 Oct. 1 small cargo vessel and 1 escorting gunboat were observed heading N.E. through S. Guimaras Strait.
At 1800/15 Oct. a probable hospital ship was observed off S.W. coast Negros Is.
- (4) Mindanao - Photos of 7 airfields in Mindanao show only 1 bomber present on Sassa and 1 transport on Cagayan but Matina and Likanan were not covered. It is recalled that on 9 Oct. there were 3 fighters on Likanan and 7 bombers on Matina.
Night 14-15 Oct. Matina airdrome was bombed by a night patrol Liberator causing fires and explosions.
At 1745/15 Oct. 2 sea trucks and 2 launches were sighted off Cagayan (central N. coast Mindanao).
- (5) Sulu Archipelago - At 1130/14 Oct. a reconnaissance Liberator attacked small type shipping in the Samales Group (S. of Basilan Is.): 1 small ship was destroyed, 1 lugger 1 barge damaged.
A.M. 15 Oct. 5 small ships (all under 500 tons each) left Zamboanga heading N.E. that night another 2 ships left Zamboanga.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - Night 13-14 Oct. PT boats patrolling N.W. coast Morotai destroyed 1 barge which was heading S. off Goerongo. During daylight 14 Oct. 1 barge beached in the same vicinity was destroyed by PT boats.
- (2) Halmahera - On 14 Oct. villages in N.E. Halmahera were attacked by 4 Lightnings and on 15 Oct. Kau area was attacked by 8 Lightnings.
- (3) N. Celebes - On 15 Oct. the seaplane base in Toli Toli Bay was again attacked by a reconnaissance Liberator which destroyed 2 floatplanes and small shipping in ~~Israh~~ Straits was attacked by 4 Lightnings which destroyed some sailing craft.
- (4) S.E. Celebes - Photos of shipping taken by the Liberators which attacked Pomelaa on 14 Oct. (reported Summary No. 991) show 2 small sea truck type ships and 16 ore-loading barges. In addition many barges and small craft were observed in ~~Tiworo~~ Strait and 1 small vessel was observed 20 miles W.S.W. of Kabaena Is. on course 225°.
- (5) N. Borneo - Night 14-15 Oct. the waterfront at Sandakan, one of the anchorages on the N.E. coast of Borneo, was raided by a Catalina starting large fires. These fires disclosed several medium sized ships and numerous small craft in the area but no detail or identification of the ships could be determined.
- (6) E Borneo - Early morning 15 Oct. the revetment areas on Manggar airdrome were bombed by 12 Liberators. Fires started at the Balikpapan refinery plants during the strike 14 Oct. were still burning.
- (7) Ambon Airdromes - Neutralization of the airdromes in this area was repeated 14 Oct.: Haroekoe, Iaha and Namlea airdromes particularly being subjected to attacks by Mitchells, Lightnings, Thunderbolts and Bostons.
- (8) Ceram-Banda Sea Is. - The usual coastal blockade was continued 15 Oct. by small flights of Kittyhawks, Bostons and Mitchells.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Vogelkop Peninsula - During 15 Oct. neutralization raids and coastal sweeps were repeated by Kittyhawks; Babo area and the airdrome there particularly were subjected to attacks by these aircraft and also dumps in the Manokwari-Memi area.
At 0908/15 Oct. a possible submarine partially submerged was sighted by aircraft 16 miles E. of Manokwari on course 120°.
- (2) Wewak - Air strikes on personnel areas between Wewak and Danmap River were resumed 15 Oct. involving 12 Beauforts.

4. BISMARCKS-SOLOMONS - During 14 Oct. offensive air patrols only were conducted over Rabaul area, the whole of New Ireland and Bougainville by Corsairs and Dauntless.
Local sources report that following the air strikes on Milim in Wide Bay the enemy evacuated the area by sea and road night 9-10 Oct. but there are still enemy at Kanakdran.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. CAROLINES - Mopping up operations continue on Peleliu and Angaur 11 and 12 Oct. Night 11-12 Oct. 1 enemy plane bombed Angaur without effect and was subsequently shot down by night fighters.
2. NAMPO SHOTO - On 11 Oct. 3 reconnaissance planes patrolling off Iwo Jima were attacked by 8 enemy fighters: 6 of these fighters were shot down without damage to our aircraft.
On 12 Oct. Chichi Jima was bombed by 19 Liberators which attacked installations and small type shipping: a small cargo vessel 20 miles S. of Haha Jima was sunk.
3. FORMOSA - Photo reconnaissance aircraft from a China base reported at Takao P.M. 15 Oct. 2 battleships and 15 other vessels. There is no Photographic interpretation yet available to confirm the identity of the warships as battleships.
4. LUZON STRAIT - At dusk ^{Oct 13.} and shortly afterwards enemy aircraft including torpedo bombers attacked our Task Force E. of Luzon Strait. At least 13 enemy planes were shot down by combat air patrol and another 7 by ship's AA: 1 of our ships suffered damage from a torpedo hit.
At dawn 14 Oct. fighter sweeps were sent over Formosa and N. Luzon: little enemy opposition was encountered over Formosa but 11 enemy planes were shot down and 30 destroyed on the ground in addition to others being damaged: reports on the Luzon sweep are not yet available.
Throughout 14 Oct. enemy aircraft maintained contact with our Task Force and mid-afternoon 14 Oct. a force mainly comprised of dive bombers attacked one task group. As a result of this attack 28 enemy planes including 2 medium bomber 1 torpedo bomber, 23 dive bombers and 2 fighters were shot down by our air patrols and 2 dive bombers by ships AA. Attacks were also carried out by enemy planes on other task groups but results are not yet known except that many aircraft were shot down. Reports received to date indicate that damage was sustained by 2 ships.
Out plane losses in these operations are reported as light.
5. JAPAN - At 0800/15 Oct. a U. S. submarine reported 3 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser approx. 20 miles S.W. of Bungo Channel (N.W. Hyushu leading into inland sea) on ~~an~~ estimated course and speed of 140°, 18 knots. At 1115/15 Oct. 1 destroyer in company with 1 large ship was observed departing Bungo Channel on estimated course and Speed of 135°, 20 knots.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Concentration of enemy BB/CA force in Pescadores & Malaya area.
- (2) Intensified enemy shore based air reaction to Blue operations Formosa-Luzon and continued enemy air reinforcement of Nansei Shoto and Formosa.
- (3) Continued Jap defensive measures Philippines, Formosa and Nansei Shoto areas.
- (4) Details of Blue carrier-borne aircraft strikes Formosa-Luzon.
- (5) Further successes Blue Submarines N.W. Philippines.
- (6) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>				<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
		* <u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>				<u>(Incl. Mandates)</u>	
<u>BB</u>	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>CVE</u>	(22)	CHEWANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY	SANTEEE SUWANNEE STIKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY	WHITEPLAINS SAGNTAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND MATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMAHNEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	-	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA PORTLAND	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	-	
<u>CL</u>	(7)	BOISE COLUMBIA	DENVER #HOBERT	NASHVILLE HONOLULU	PHOENIX	-	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK		-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS BELKNAP	-	
<u>DD</u>	(96)	ARRUNTA WARRAMUNGA NAPIER JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HARRISON HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T.BADGER	HOPWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MCKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURPAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERIZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVIN BADGER PENNYON GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURN THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS	NEWCOMB R.P.LEARY H.L.EDWARDS MODERMOTT ROSS A.W.GRANT DAVID W.TAYLOR CAPPS STEBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD	-
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLCUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GULVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 E.9 K.12	10	
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u>	(72)	WARD (AED)	CALLAWAY (AER)	ALPINE (APA)
<u>AFA</u>		SCHLEY	LEON	HEYWOOD
<u>AKA</u>		HERBERT	SUMNER	LEO OLYMEN
		CROSBY	PIERCE	PRES. HAYES
		KILTY	JAMES O'HARA	CLAY
		SANDS	WAYNE	A.T.MIDDLETON
		MANLEY	FULLER	BAXTER
		TALBOT	HARRIS	W.F.BIDDLE
		KANE	FREMONT	CAMBERIA
		BROOKS	BARNSTABLE	MONROVIA
		OVERTON	LEONARD WOOD	F.FUNSTON
		HUMPHREYS	CLEMSON	BOLIVAR
		KANIMBLA (APA)	EMPIRE STEARHEAD	SHERIDAN
		WESTRALIA	EMPIRE MACE	DOYEN
		MANOCRA	GLENELARN	AQUARIUS (AKA)
		FAYETTE	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA
		LEEDSTOWN	CAVALIER	THUGAN
		CRMSBY	J.F.BELL	CHARA
		WINDSOR	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN
		H.T.ALLEN	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS
		CRESCENT CITY	KNOX	ALYOCNE
		WARREN	CALVERT	ALMLACK
		ELMORE	CLUSTER	CIPHDA
		EMPIRE BATTLEAXE	LAMAR	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS

<u>AGC</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN	

<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND
		ORION	

<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA
		PIEDMONT	WHITNEY

<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)
		PLATYPUS
		BRIAREUS
		MEDUSA
		MIDAS (ARB)
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)
		OGLALA
		MINDANAO
		CEBU
		JASON (ARH)
		REMUS (ARL)
		ACHILLES
		AMYCUS
		VENI (ARS)
		CABLE
		PRESERVER

<u>LSD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD
		ASHLAND	BELLEGROVE
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Areas)

# ALLIED FORCES				ENEMY FORCES				
				Philippines				
				S. China Sea				
				(Inc. Singapore)	Empire			
<u>BB</u>	(14)	IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6)	YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO	
<u>BB/XCV</u>						(2)	ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12)	SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA		(5)	AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU	
<u>CVL</u>	(9)	CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY		(5)	CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (poss sunk)	
<u>CVE</u>	(24)	ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY CAPE ESPERANCE COPAHEE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOR	BRETON HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU NEHEMIA BAY PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND	SARGENT BAY SELMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMUA ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALAMAMA LUNGA POINT	(2)	JINYO UNYO	(2)	KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8)	BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12)	TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA	(2)	NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u>							6	
<u>CL</u>	(19)	BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALIEGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4)	KINU NOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk)	(6)	SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>CLT</u>						KASHII	KASHIMA	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4)	BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE			(2)	ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 200				25	25 (several repairing)	
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 150				10	Approx. 50	
			?			?	2 (1 repair- ing)	

* Non-effective.

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES-INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>				<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>			
<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>				<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>			
				<u>Indian Ocean</u>			
<u>BB</u>	-			(4)	HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-	
<u>CV</u>	-			(3)	VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-	
<u>CVE</u>	-			(6)	BATTIER UNICORN SHAH	ATHELING BEGUM AMEER	-
<u>CA</u>	-			(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	(3)	ADELAIDE TROMP KENYA		(6)	ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-				ALBATROSS		-
<u>XCL</u>	-			(2)	CANTON	CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	(1)	NEPAL			Approx. 27		-
<u>SS</u>	(50)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BONEFISH BOWFIN BREAM CERO COD	CREWALLE FLASHER GROWLER GURNARD GUITARO GUMMEL HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDOLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK	Approx. 16		10 (Poss. all German)
		CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR	SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS			
		K.14 K.15	0.19	ZWALDFISCH			
<u>AS</u>	(3)	MAIDSTONE	GRIFFIN	EURYALE			-

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MALDENES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	118	179	12
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	57	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	96	77	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	10	-
Fleet Planes	10	-	63	28	6
Obsn. A/U	2	-	12	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	315	373	25

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

- (a) Elements Task Forces 77, 78, 79 at sea.
- (b) Task Force 70.1 : 1 AGP: "MODJACK"
 30 PT
- Task Force 72 : 5 SS: "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "SEA WOLF" "PERMIT"
 On Patrol : 7 SS: "NARWHAL" "NAUTILUS" "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON"
 On Passage : "STINGRAY" "S.42"
- Task Force 73 : 1 AV: "TANGIER" 2 AVR
 2 AVP: "SAN PAOLO" "ORCA"
- Miscellaneous : 4 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "COWRA" "KIAMA"
 4 PF: "ALLEN TOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "BURDEKIN"
 18 AP/AK 2 YOG 2 FS 11 LCT: 1 YP: 236
 2 LCM 2 YO 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD
- (2) "ATTU" (CVE) proceeding to Finschhafen ETA 18 Oct.
- (3) "DRETON" (CVE) proceeding Manus ETA 18 Oct.
- (4) "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" (DE) departed Treasury 1500/15 for Hollandia ETA 0700/18.
- (5) "STAG" (AN) departed Langemak 1240/15 for Humboldt Bay ETA 0600/18.
- (6) "CRUX" (AK) departed Milne Bay 1255/15 for Manus ETA 1300/18.
- (7) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) was to depart Milne Bay 16 Oct for Hollandia.
- (8) "LITHGOW" (AMS) was to depart Madang 14 Oct for Hollandia.
- "EMPIRE ARQUEMUS" (APA) was to depart Langemak 15 Oct for Manus.

(b) In Harbour:

Sansapor:

Combat units 11 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 PE: "EL PASO"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGC: "RIO GRANDE"

Noemfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : "SAKATONCHEE" (AGC)

Woendi:

Combat units 1 SS : "CERO"

39 PT

Escorts 4 : 1 PF: "LONG BEACH" 2 AMS: "BROOME" "TOWNSVILLE"
 Auxiliaries 20 : "CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" (AGP)
 "KURUMBA" "VICTORIA" (AO) "SUSQUEHANNA" "CHETCO" (AT)
 "TEAK" (YN) "COMFORT" (AH) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREQ" (ATF)
 "LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YN) "REMUS" (ARL) 1 YP: 278
 1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 2 : "DENDIGO" "LATROBE" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "OCTORARA" (IX)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units 3 DD : "O'DANNON" "EDWARDS" "TAYLOR"
 Escorts 28 : 3 AMS: "DELOR AINE" "GLENELG" "WAGGA"
 8 PF : "OGDEN" "SAN PEDRO" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "DELFEST"
 "HUTCHINSON" "MUSKOGEE" "ORANGE"
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 4 SC : 698, 742, 745, 981
 8 YMS: 8, 3, 47, 51, 313, 233, 334, 384
 Auxiliaries 40 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "BISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON"
 (AVP) "ESCALANTE" "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "DOBBERIN" (AD) "INDUS"
 "SABIK" "CASSIOPEIA" "MURZIM" (AK) "MINK" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS"
 (IX) "DERRICK" (YO) "HIDATSU" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "POYANG" "PYRO"
 (AE) "MIDAS" (ARB) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "CABLE" (ARS) "OTUS" (AS) "MERCY" (AH)
 "CAMERIAN SALVOR" (ASR) 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12 2 YFD
 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25 4 YP : 216, 240, 291, 292

Stape:

Combat units 18 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132

Admiralties:

Combat units 1 CVE : "RUDYERL DAY"
 1 DE : "EVANS"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"

Escorts 24 : 10 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CA'ANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES" "THOMASON"
 "WILLIAM C. MILLER" "NEVENDORFF"
 3 PF : "ROCKFORD" "EUGENE" "HAWKESBURY" 3 SC : 747, 982, 1274
 1 ML : 827 2 PC : 500, 1124 6 YMS: 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393

Auxiliaries 49 : "TRINITY" "CAHABA" "SEVERN" "ESCAMPIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO)
 "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "JASON" (ARH) "DRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR)
 "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM) "ARCTIC" (AF) "LEADER" (PYC)
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "DIPLO" (AKA) "CASTOR"
 (AKS) "NAOS" "ARIDED" "ZAUROCK" "CETUS" "HYPERION" "LYRA"
 "SAGGITARIUS" "MINTAKA" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES" "SHAULA" "TRIANGULUM"
 (AK) "LAURABADA" (AG) "ANDREW DORIA" "CARIBOU" "ARMADILLO"
 "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" "ADARENDA" "ARETHUSA" (IX) "CEBU" (ARG)
 "DUNTRON" (AP) "RAIL" "TERN" "TAWADA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA"
 "PIEDMONT" (AL) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 8 : 2 SC : 703, 743 2 ML : 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"

Auxiliaries 5 : 3 AMS: "COOTAMUNDR" "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN"
 "KOOPA" (AG) "BINGERA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT)
 1 YP : 504

Langemak:

Combat units 1 ODD : "VENDETTA"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "VAN BUREN" 4 PC : 218, 585, 1121, 1591 1 YMS: 46
 6 SC : 659, 734, 738, 739, 748, 750

Auxiliaries 10 : "CLYDE" (IX) "ASSE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "GEN. R. E. CALLAN" (AP)
 "MINDANAO" (ARG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) 1 AFD: 10

Day:

Auxiliaries 1 : "MONTEREY" (AP)

Milne Bay:

Escorts 9 : 2 AMS: "GYMPIE" "GEELONG" 1 YMS: 315 1 PC : 479
 3 SC : 732, 735, 736 2 ML : 801, 806

Auxiliaries 14 : "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCRED" (AT) "SATINLEAF"
 "SILVERBELL" (YN) "EMPIRE BATTLEAXE" (APA) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM)
 "BENALLA" (AGS) 1 ARD: 9 3 YP : 233, 283, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 803, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

"CAP DES PALMES" (AG) escorting "ALKAIL" (AK) was to depart Russells 14 Oct for Torokina
 Munda, Green Is, Emirau, Torokina.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 3 : 3 SC : 620, 502, 723
 Auxiliaries 2 : 1 YP : 514 1 AOG: "PATAPSCO"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS: 95
 Auxiliaries 2 : 3 YP : 348, 515, 520

Toroking:

Escorts 7 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 YMS: 259 4 PC: 476, 477, 598, 1123
 Auxiliaries 2 : "TAGANAK" (AO) "JAMESTOWN" (AGP)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 FGM
 Escorts 6 : 2 PC : 598, 605 1 YMS: 47 3 SC : 677, 722, 1074
 Auxiliaries 4 : "BUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS) "WHIPSTOCK" (YO) 1 YP: 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. DAKER" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS: "KIWI"
 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 2 : "CAMANGA" (AG) "CYGNUS" (AF)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

- (1) "EVANGELINE" (XAPC) departed Milne Bay 1500/12 for Sydney ETA 1600/16.
- (2) "MESQUITE" (CGC) departed Milne Bay 1300/11 for Brisbane ETA 2200/16.
- (3) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0300/6 for Brisbane ETA approx 18 Oct tending S.E. New Guinea, Lihon, Frederick Reef lights en route.
- (4) "YMS.94,99" were to depart Noumea 13 Oct for Sydney.
- (5) "PC.1228" was to depart Sydney AM 15 Oct for Port Purvis ETA 20 Oct.
- (6) "MONADNOCK" (CM) departed Guadalcanal 1200/14 for Brisbane ETA Caloundra 0700/18.
- (7) "CHIPPEWA" (AT) departed Oro Bay 2330/12 for Newcastle ETA AM 21 Oct.
- (8) "NAPIER" (DD) departed Melbourne 1100/15 for Fremantle ETA 1400/20.
- (9) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP) departed Melbourne 1046/15 for Dombay ETA 28 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERCARDOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 3 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE" 2 ML : 426, 818
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS: "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 7 : 3 AMS: "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 3 ML : 428, 431, 816
 1 SC : 699
 Auxiliaries 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 1 AFD: 3
 2 APA: "GLENEARN" "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD"

Wynneville:

Escorts 1 : "BARCOO" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "TASMAN" (AH)

Down:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "DASHAN" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS: "STAWELL" "WHYALLA" 1 PC : 1131
 3 HM: 1129, 1324, 1329 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 9 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "CALAMARES" (AF) "PONTUS" (AGP) "LOTHIAN"
 (APA) 1 YP : 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 ODL : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 11 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 1 AMS: "KAPUNDA" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 3 AS: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"

Sydney (CONT)

Auxiliaries 3 : "RIGEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA"
"MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "GOLSTAR" (AG) "MERKUR" (AF) "DUNGAREE" (CM)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOM A" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "DUNDADER" "DATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 19 SS : "ANGLER" "BENGALL" "BOWFIN" "DREAM" "COD" "BLUEGILL" "TONEFISH"
"GURNARD" "CAVALLA" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "RAY" "MINGO"
"PORPOISE" "ROCK" "ZWAARLFISCH" "RATON" "GUITARO"

On Passage 17 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "DARDERO" "REDFIN" "SPITEFUL"
"SIBOAR" "STURDY" "STOIC" "BAYA" "STORM" "TANTIVY" "BECUNA"
"HAWKILL" "HOE" "SEA ROVER" "K.15"

(2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "OCHOCO" departed Darwin 0746/15, presumably for Thursday Is.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Combat units 1 SS : "DARTFISH"
Escorts 9 : 5 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM"
4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907
Auxiliaries 4 : "COUGAL" (ASR) "MORESDY" "SHEPPARTON" "STELLA" (AGS)

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/16:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 CL : "KENYA"
1 DD : "NEPAL"
12 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADLO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
"P.318" "TANTALUS" "K.14" "O.19" "MUSKELLUNGE"
Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
10 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
"INVERELL" "DUNDURY" "PARKES" "WARRNAMBOOL"
1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAILSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
1 ARD: 10
1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Luzon - Fighter sweeps over N. Luzon dawn 14 Oct. destroyed 5 enemy planes on Aparri airdrome: these were the only operational aircraft observed on the ground and no air-borne enemy planes were encountered. Combined with the casualties inflicted on the enemy by the fighter sweep of Formosa at the same time (reported Summary No. 992) this makes a total of 11 aircraft shot down and 35 destroyed on the ground during this coordinated operation.

No further details have been received of air-combat during enemy air attacks on our Task Force during 14 Oct. E. of Luzon Strait leaving the number of enemy planes shot down during such actions at 30.

On 15 Oct. a heavy strike was launched by carrier-borne aircraft against enemy airdromes in the Manila Bay area. Approximately 50 enemy fighters intercepted our aircraft and of these an estimated 30-40 were shot down in combat in addition to 15-20 destroyed on the ground. Our losses amounted to 2 fighters. Pilots reported 21 tankers or cargo vessels combined (all medium-large) and 5 destroyers or destroyer escorts in addition to many small craft in Manila Harbor also 12-15 ships mostly cargo vessels of various sizes in Subic Bay.

Enemy aircraft made persistent attacks on our Task Group during 15 Oct. E. of Luzon which necessitated the cancellation of other scheduled strikes: 30 enemy aircraft were shot down in the vicinity of the Task Group. Superficial damage only to our ships was reported.

- (2) Visayan - At 1820/15 Oct., 2 large tankers with 2 gunboats and destroyers were observed heading South through Jintotolo Passage.
At 0640/16 Oct. a group of ships, described as 1 converted carrier 1 tanker 1 heavy cruiser were reported anchored off N.E. Panay. It is suggested that the latter force could be identical with the one coming S. through Jintotolo Passage the previous evening and that the converted aircraft carrier could be a tanker with aircraft on deck. The "heavy cruiser" might be a large escort type vessel.
- (3) Palawan - At 1300/15 Oct. 2 large laden cargo vessels were observed passing Brooke's Point (S.E. coast) heading N.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - Scattered enemy contacts were reported by our patrols on 14 and 15 Oct. on Morotai killing 47 Japs and capturing 2, the majority of which were contacted in the vicinity of Boeso Boeso (Southern portion E. coast): natives report 100 Japs in this particular vicinity.
- (2) Halmahera - A.M. 16 Oct. Kau Bay was swept by 2 Beaufighters which damaged 1 barge and destroyed 2 fuel dumps: a burning lugger was also observed in the area.
- (3) N. Celebes - Photos 14 Oct. show 3 fighters and 1 bomber on Langoan airdrome where the runway is unserviceable. Any aircraft which were previously reported on Mapanget and Sidate appear to have departed although runways on these latter 2 fields are at least partially serviceable. There are still no aircraft visible Tanamon although the runway there is serviceable.

A preliminary report from aircraft in flight indicates that 1 unidentified type vessel was attacked at approx. 1515/15 Oct. 23 miles N. of Kwandang Bay.

- (4) S.E. Celebes - Photos 12 Oct. show that Ambesia, Witcola, Boroboro and Tiworo airdromes were all serviceable and that 5 bombers were present on Ambesia, 2 fighters and 2 bombers on Witcola. Photos 14 Oct. show 2 fighters 1 bomber on Kendari where the runways are serviceable.
- (5) E. Borneo - Further details concerning the Liberator strike on Balikpapan oil refineries A.M. 14 Oct. show that 100 Liberators participated dropping 125 tons bombs: 32 Lightnings, 16 Thunderbolts escorted. Bombing was accurate, installations were demolished and fires started which sent smoke billowing to 17,000 ft. At least 68 enemy fighters intercepted and of these an incomplete count totals 52 definitely shot down and 14 probably destroyed. Our losses amounted to 1 Liberator and 5 fighters of which 4 pilots were rescued.
- (6) Ambon Area - Photos 12 Oct. show only 3 serviceable aircraft on the airdromes in the general Ambon area: 1 bomber was present on Old Namlea, 1 bomber on Amahai and 1 fighter on Liang. Runways at Amahai and Kairatoo appeared operational but all other fields including both Namlea dromes, Iaha, Liang and Boela were unserviceable or only serviceable for a small portion.

On 15 Oct. further neutralization raids were carried out on the airdromes in this area: Kairatoo was bombed by 8 Bostons 15 Thunderbolts, Amahai by 16 Lightnings and Boela by 1 Mitchell 22 Bostons in addition Piroe village on Piroe Bay was bombed by 11 Lightnings and Boela oil storage tanks by 3 Lightnings.

- (6) Ambon Area (Contd.) - Also on 15 Oct. a small sea truck type vessel was attacked in Seloman Bay (N. coast Ceram) and left beached as a result of a sweep by 24 Lightnings.
A.M. 16 Oct. a sweep of Ambon coastline was conducted by 2 Beaufighters which strafed 5 barges and 3 luggers.
- (7) Kai Is. - Photos 12 Oct. show that the 3 airdromes on the Kai Group are apparently still being used at least occasionally: Faan, Langgoer and Doeroa runways were all serviceable and 1 bomber serviceable was present on each of Faan and Doeroa.
3. NEW GUINEA - Sagan was attacked 15 Oct. by 13 Thunderbolts and Manokwari P.M. 16 Oct. by 4 Kittyhawks.
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - Night 14-15 Oct. Kavieng was harassed by 2 Mitchells. On 15 Oct. intensified air operations were conducted: gun positions at Fangalawa Bay on N.E. coast New Ireland were attacked by 18 Dauntless 9 Mitchells and 24 Corsairs - 1 Dauntless was lost to AA: AA guns on Matupi Is. in Rabaul harbor were attacked by 57 Dauntless 9 Mitchells and 16 Corsairs. In addition offensive patrols were carried out over Gazelle Peninsula by 55 Corsairs, over New Ireland by 19 Corsairs and over Bougainville by 18 Corsairs.
Local ground patrols in the Wide Bay area found 27 Jap dead presumably the result of recent patrol activity and air attacks in the Milim area.
Continued reports come from the Open Bay area of flashing light etc. at night indicating probably coastal barge traffic during darkness hours.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. JAPAN - With reference to the sighting at 0800/15 Oct. of enemy force reported to comprise 3 heavy cruisers 1 light cruiser approx. 20 miles S.W. of Bungo Channel on course estimated at 140°, it was later reported that a torpedo hit was scored on 1 of the ships and the force was last seen returning towards Bungo Channel.
2. MIYAMO SHOTO - At approx. 1215/16 Oct. aircraft reported 1 destroyer, 2 destroyer escorts 120 miles N.N.W. of Chichi Jima on course 330°.
3. NANSEI SHOTO - At 1732/16 Oct. aircraft reported enemy force described as:
1 aircraft carrier
2 battleships
1 heavy cruiser
2 light cruisers
8 destroyers
115 miles E. of Okinawa Jima on course 250° speed 20 knots.
4. FORMOSA STRAIT - Photos noon 15 Oct. show 49 merchant ships totalling 138,100 tons and 12 naval vessels in Hong Kong Harbor.
At 0230/16 Oct. a convoy described as 6-8 naval vessels heading N. 120 miles E. of Hon Kong was attacked by aircraft: preliminary flash reports claim 1 light cruiser sunk and a destroyer probably sunk.
Further shipping sightings made by aircraft 16 Oct. in the Formosa Straits include 4 freighters at 1255/16 Oct. off W. coast Formosa, 1 warship (reported as a battleship) at 1316/16 Oct. 55 miles S.W. of Pescadores on course 130° and 1 unidentified ship at 1346/16 Oct. off S.W. tip Pescadores course 70°.
5. MARIANAS - On 12 Oct. the usual fighter-bomber attacks were conducted against Pagan Is.
6. CAROLINES
- (1) Truk - Night 12-13 Oct. Truk was bombed by 1 group of Liberators.
- (2) Palau - Mopping up continues on Peleliu and Ingaur and fighter-bombers continue their attacks on Babalthuap.
At 1650/16 Oct. a possible submarine was contacted 30 miles S.E. of Kayangel Reef.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Continued Blue aircraft carrier operations Luzon-Formosa area despite intensified enemy shore-based aircraft counteractions.
- (2) Limited enemy naval surface force apparently sorties from Empire.
- (3) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Nansei Shoto and Formosa.
- (4) Concentration of enemy BB/CA force in Pescadores - Malaya area.
- (5) Continued Jap defensive measures Philippines, Formosa and Nansei Shoto areas.
- (6) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

Distribution: G-3 (Navy) (2) C in C EF (1) G. J. CONNOR
C in C SWPA. (1) Cdr. 7th Fleet (2) File (1) Lt. Cdr. (SP) RANVR
G-2 (Navy) (1) Cdr. SWP SF (2) S.O.(I) NAVY

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> (Incl. Mandates)	
		* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)				
	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA	-	
<u>CVE</u>	(22)	CHEMANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY	SANTREE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY	WHITEPLAINS SAGNIAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OLIMNEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA PORTLAND	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	
<u>CL</u>	(7)	BOISE COLUMBIA	DENVER #HOBERT	NASHVILLE HONOULULU	PHOENIX	
<u>CV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK	-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS BELGWAP	
<u>DD</u>	(96)	ARRUNTA WARRAMUNGA MAPIER JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HARRISON HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T. BADGER	HOPWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MCKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY JUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN	HIGGARD FRANKS HALLEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVIN BADGER FENNION GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS	NEWCOMB R.P. LEARY H.L. EDWARDS MODERMOTT ROSS A.W. GRANT DAVID W. TAYLOR CAPPS STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GULVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 E.9 K.12	10
<u>IT</u>		Approx. 175			-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u>	(71)	WARD (AED)	CALLAWAY (AER)	ALPINE (APA)
<u>APA</u>		SCHLEY	LEON	HEYWOOD
<u>AKA</u>		HERBERT	SUTNER	LEO CLYMEN
		CROSBY	PIERCE	PRES. HAYES
		KILTY	JAMES O'HARA	CLAY
		SANDS	WAYNE	A.T.MIDDLETON
		MANLEY	FULLER	BAXTER
		TALBOT	HARRIS	W.P.BIDDLE
		KANE	FREMONT	CAMBRIA
		BROOKS	BARNSTABLE	MONROVIA
		OVERTON	LEONARD WOOD	F.FUNSTON
		HUMPHREYS	CLEMSON	BOLIVAR
		KANIMBLA (APA)	EMPIRE STEARHEAD	SHERIDAN
		WESTRALIA	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	DOYEN
		MANOCRA	GLENEARN	AQUARIUS (AKA)
		FAYETTE	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA
		LEEDSTOWN	CAVALIER	THUGAN
		CRMSBY	J.F.BELL	CHARA
		WINDSOR	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN
		H.T.ALLEN	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS
		CRESCENT CITY	KNOX	ALYCON
		WARREN	CALVERT	ALMACK
		EILMORE	CIUSTER	CIPHDA
		EMPIRE BATTLEAXE	LAMAR	

<u>AGC</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN	

<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND
		ORION	

<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA
		PIEDMONT	WHITNEY

<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (JR)
		PLATYPUS
		BRIAREUS
		MEDUSA
		MIDAS (ARB)
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)
		OGLALA
		MINDANAO
		CEBU
		JASON (ARH)
		REMUS (ARL)
		ACHILLES
		AMYCUS
		VENT(ARS)
		CABLE
		PRESERVER

<u>LSD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	CAK HILL
		EFFING FOREST	WHITE MARSH
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD
		ASHLAND	BELLE GROVE
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Areas)

ENEMY FORCES
Philippines
S. China Sea
(Inc. Singapore) Empire

ALLIED FORCES

	# ALLIED FORCES			ENEMY FORCES	
<u>BB</u>	(14) IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO.
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	(2) ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12) SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL H. LINCOLN	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA	(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU	
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSONO ZUIHO RYUNO (poss. sunk)	
<u>CVE</u>	(24) ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BUGARELI BAY CAPE ESPERANCE COPAHUE CORAL SEA CASABELANCA CORREIDOR	BRETON HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU NEHEMIA BAY PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND	SARGENT BAY SELMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAU ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALAMAHUA LUNGA POINT	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SAINT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	- MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALLEIGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4) KINU NOSHIO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk)	6 (6) SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKIWA TAMI KISO
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 200			25	25 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>		?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective.

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES-INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>				<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>		
<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>			<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-		(4)	HOWE REINOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-	
<u>CV</u>	-		(3)	VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-	
<u>CVE</u>	-		(6)	BATTIER UNICORN SHAH	APHELING BEGUM AMEER	
<u>CA</u>	-		(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	
<u>CL</u>	(3)	ADELAIDE TROMP KENYA	(6)	ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS	-	
<u>COL</u>	-		(2)	CANTON	CHITRAL	
<u>DD</u>	(1)	NEPAL		Approx. 27	-	
<u>SS</u>	(50)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BONFISH BOWFIN BREAM CERO COD CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR K.14 K.15	CREVALLE FLASHER GROWLER GURNARD GUITARO GUNNEL HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADOLE PARGO PORFOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS ZWAARDFISCH	Approx. 16	10 (Poss. all German)
<u>AS</u>	(3)	MAIDSTONE	GRIFFIN	EURYALE	-	

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	99	176	12
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	57	-
E/E Bombers	-	-	96	77	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	10	-
Fleet Planes	10	-	60	28	6
Obsn. A/U	2	-	12	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	313	373	25

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA**
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY
Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.
Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.
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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

I. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

- (1) (a) Elements Task Forces 77, 78, 79 at sea.
(b) Task Force 70.1 : 1 AGP: "MOBJACK"
30 PT
Task Force 72
On Patrol : 6 SS: "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS" "PERMIT"
"SEA WOLF"
On Passage : 6 SS: "NARWHAL" "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY"
"S.42"
Task Force 73 : 1 AV: "TANGIER" 2 AVR
2 AVP: "SAN PABLO" "ORCA"
Miscellaneous : 4 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "COWRA" "KIAMA"
4 PF: "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "BURDEKIN"
18 AP/AK 2 YOG 2 FS 11 LCT 1 YP: 236
2 LCM 2 YO 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD
- (2) "CRUX" (AK) departed Milne Bay 1255/15 for Manus ETA 1300/18.
(3) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) departed Milne Bay 0800/16 for Manus ETA 1500/18.
(4) "BENALLA" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0300/16 for Hollandia ETA 0700/19.
(5) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) departed Milne 1055/16 for Hollandia ETA PM 23 Oct.
(6) "LITHGOW" (AMS) was to depart Madang 14 Oct for Hollandia.

(b) In Harbour:

- Samarapur:
Combat units 11 PT
Escorts 1 : 1 PE: "EL PASO"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AOG: "RIO GRANDE"
- Noemfoor:
Auxiliaries 1 : "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG)
- Biak-Woendi:
Combat units 1 SS : "CERO"
39 PT
Escorts 3 : 1 PF: "LONG BEACH" 2 AMS: "BROOME" "TOWNSVILLE"
Auxiliaries 20 : "CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "FORTUNUS" (AGP)
"KURUMBA" "VICTORIA" (AO) "SUSQUEHANNA" "CHITCO" (AT)
"TEAK" (YN) "COMFORT" (AH) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF)
"LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YN) "REMUS" (ARL) 1 YP: 278
1 YD 2 YFD
- Maffin Bay:
Escorts 3 : "BENDIGO" "GLENEILG" "LATROBE" (AMS)
Auxiliaries 1 : "OCTORARA" (IX)
- Humboldt Bay:
Combat units 1 DD : "EDWARDS"

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

SECRET

Humboldt Bay: (Cont)

Escorts 26 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 1 AMS: "DELORAINÉ"
 6 PF : "OGDEN" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
 "ORANGE"
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 4 SC : 698, 742, 745, 981
 8 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 313, 334, 384

Auxiliaries 39 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "BISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HEERON"
 (AVP) "DIPHDA" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "DOBBIN" (AD) "INDUS"
 "MURZEL" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "DERRICK" (YO) "HIDATSA"
 "SHAWNEE" (AT) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "MIDAS" (AR) "CINNAMON" (AN)
 "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "CABLE"
 (ARS) "OTUS" (AS) "MERCY" (AH) "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "STAG"
 (AI) "SILVERBELL" (YN) 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12 2 YFD
 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25 4 YP : 216, 240, 291, 292

Aitape:

Combat units 18 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132

Admiralties:

Combat units 2 CVE : "BRETON" "NEHENTA BAY"
 8 LD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "HALL" "THATCHER"
 "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"

Escorts 27 : 12 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES" "THOMASON" "LEVY"
 "WILLIAM C. MILLER" "NEVENDORFF" "MITCHELL"
 3 PF : "ROCKFORD" "EUGENE" "HAWKESBURY" 3 SC: 747, 982, 1274
 1 ML : 827 2 PC: 500, 1124 6 YMS: 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393

Auxiliaries 54 : "MISSISSINAWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "GUADALUP" "CALIENTE" "NECHES"
 "TRINITY" "CAHABA" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" (AG)
 "JASON" (ARH) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM)
 "ARCTIC" (AF) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA) "CASTOR"
 (AKS) "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (AN)
 "NAOS" "ARIDEL" "ZURACK" "CETUS" "HYPERION" "LYRA" "MINTAKA"
 "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES" "SHAULA" "TRIANGULUM" (AK)
 "LAURABADA" (AG) "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMADILLO" "LEOPARD"
 "PORCUPINE" "BARENDA" (IX) "CEBU" (ARG) "DUNTROON" (AP) "RAIL"
 "TERN" "TAWABA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIEDMONT" (AD)
 "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 703, 743 2 ML : 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 4 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA"
 Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPA" (AG) "BINGERA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT)
 1 YP : 504

Ingemak:

Combat units 1 CVE : "ATTU"
 1 ODL : "VENETTA"

Escorts 14 : 1 PF : "VAN BUREN" 1 AMS: "GEELONG" 1 YMS: 46 1 ML : 802
 6 SC: 659, 734, 738, 739, 748, 750 4 PC: 218, 585, 1121, 1591

Auxiliaries 11 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALDEONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "GEN. R. E. CALLAN" (AP)
 "MINDANAO" (ARG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "SATINLEAF" (YN) 1 AFD: 10

Oro Bay:

Auxiliaries 1 : "MONTEREY" (AP)

Milne Bay:

Escorts 8 : 1 AMS: "GYMPIE" 1 YMS: 315 1 PC : 479 2 ML : 801, 806
 3 SC : 732, 735, 736

Auxiliaries 11 : "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCRED" (AT) "EMPIRE BATTLEAXE"
 (APA) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) 1 ARD: 9 3 YP : 233, 283, 449
 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 803, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

Nil.

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)SECRET(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 4 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723
 Auxiliaries 2 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP : "JAMESTOWN"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS : 95
 Auxiliaries 3 : 3 YP : 348, 515, 520

Torokina:

Escorts 8 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 5 PC : 476, 477, 598, 1123, 1242
 1 YMS : 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : "ALKAID" (AK) "CAP DES PALMES" (AGS) "ALDER AMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 FCM
 Escorts 6 : 2 PC : 598, 605 1 YMS : 47 3 SC : 677, 722, 1074
 Auxiliaries 5 : "BUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS) "WHIPSTOCK" (YO) "TIGANAK" (AO)
 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI"
 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267

EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

- (1) "BARCOO" (PF) was to depart Cairns 1700/17 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/19.
 (2) "ML's 426, 818" departed Horn Island 1005/16 for Cairns ETA 1000/18.
 (3) "PONTUS" (AGP) was to depart Caloundra 1800/17 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/24.
 (4) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0300/6 for Brisbane ETA approx 18 Oct tending S.E. New Guinea, Lihon, Frederick Reef lights en route.
 (5) "YMS.94,99" were to depart Noumea 13 Oct for Sydney.
 (6) "PC.1228" departed Sydney 0915/15 for Port Purvis ETA 1200/20.
 (7) "CHIPPEWA" (AT) departed Oro Bay 2330/12 for Newcastle ETA AM 21 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS : "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 7 : 3 AMS : "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 3 ML : 428, 431, 816
 1 SC : 699
 Auxiliaires 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 1 AFD : 3 2 APA : "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD"
 "GLENEARN"

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "TASMAN" (AH)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS : "STAWELL" "WHYALLA" 1 PC : 1131
 3 HMML 1129, 1324, 1329 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 9 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "CALAMARES" (AF) "LOTHIAN"
 (APA) 1 YP : 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 ODD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 11 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 1 AMS : "KAPUNDA" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 3 A/S : "KYERA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

SECRET

Sydney: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 9 : "RIGEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA"
"MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "GOLLESTAR" (AG) "MERKUR" (AF) "DUNGAREE" (CM)
"EVANGELINE" (XAPC)

Melbourne:

Combat Units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "BUNDBERG" "BATHURST"

NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 19 SS : "ANGLER" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "BREAM" "COD" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH"
"GURNARD" "CAVALLA" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "RAY" "MINGO"
"PORPOISE" "ROCK" "ZWAARFISCH" "RATION" "GUITARO"
On Passage 17 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BARBERO" "REDFIN" "SPITEFUL"
"SHODAR" "STUDLY" "STOIC" "BAYA" "STORM" "TANTIVY" "DECUNA"
"HAWKBILL" "HOE" "SEA ROVER" "K.15"

(2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "OCHOCO" departed Darwin 0746/15 presumably for Thursday Is.

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Combat units 1 SS : "DARTFISH"
Escorts 8 : 4 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTALEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM"
4 ML: 429, 812, 814, 907
Auxiliaries 4 : "COUCAL" (ASR) "MORESBY" "SHEPPARTON" "STELLA" (AGS)
Millingimbi:
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 309

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

(1) "NAPIER" (DL) departed Melbourne 1100/15 for Fremantle ETA 1400/20.
(2) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP) departed Melbourne 1046/15 for Bombay ETA 28 Oct.
(3) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:

Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 CL : "KENYA"
1 DL : "NEPAL"
12 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADDO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
"P.318" "TANTALUS" "K.14" "O.19" "MUSKELLUNGE"
Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
10 AMS: "DUBEO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
"INVERELL" "BUNBURY" "PARKES" "WARUNAMBOOL"
Auxiliaries 6 : 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 324 2 YMS: 11, 72
1 ARD: 10
2 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Luzon Strait - Reports from aircraft carrier Task Group (additional to those given previously) operating E. of Luzon Strait state that from 13 Oct. to 15 Oct. inclusive 95 enemy aircraft were shot down out of 191 aircraft which attacked the Task Group both during day and during night: our losses during this period were 7 fighters including 2 operational losses. On 16 Oct. a further 60 enemy aircraft attacked the Task Group which was retiring towards S.E. and of these 50 were shot down. In addition on 16 Oct. search planes and combat air patrols of other Task Groups shot down 15 enemy aircraft. No further damage to our surface units has been reported than that previously set out in this Summary, that is, the torpedoing of 2 ships and superficial damage to a few other units.
- (2) Central Philippines - Photos of airfields 12 and 13 Oct. show no aircraft on the San Jose airfield (S.W. Mindoro Is.), no aircraft on Iloilo (S.E. Panay) and no aircraft on Dumaguete (Negros Is.); the runway at Iloilo is rough but runways at the other 2 airdromes are serviceable. 9 floatplanes were visible off Caminawit Pt. near San Jose airdrome.
On 16 Oct. a reconnaissance Liberator sighted 12 small craft thought to be barges off N.E. tip Cebu Is. on course 190°, and another Liberator sighted 1 medium merchant vessel, 2 small sea trucks and 20 barges in Panglao Bay (S.W. tip Bohol Is.).
Later reports concerning the shipping seen anchored off N.E. Panay at 0640/16 Oct. (reported in Summary 993) give the identification as 1 seaplane tender, 1 tanker and 1 probable destroyer.
- (3) Leyte Gulf. - Early 17 Oct. landings were made by our forces on Suluan without meeting opposition: the only reports available indicate that the operation proceeded according to plan.
- (4) S. China Sea - Delayed reports from U.S. Submarine state that:-
1 Oct. : 1 medium tanker was hit by torpedo off W. coast Luzon
2-3 Oct.: 1 medium tanker and 1 medium freighter were sunk off N.W. Luzon.
6 Oct. : 1 medium freighter was sunk and 1 large tanker damaged by torpedo hits off N.W. Luzon.
7 Oct.: 1 medium freighter was destroyed off N.W. Luzon and 1 large freighter was sunk in Formosa Strait.
In addition 1 large new freighter and 1 small freighter were sunk and another smallfreighter damaged off the coast of French Indo China.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Halamhera - Night 15-16 Oct. PT boats operating off N.W. shore approaches to Kau Bay destroyed 2 barges beached at Iga (15 Miles N.E. Lolobata). Other PT boats operating off Western approaches to Kau Bay were attacked by 2 torpedoes fired from the shore South of Miti Is.
- (2) N. Celebes - At 1600/16 Oct. a large barge off Cape Santigi (just N. of Toli Toli) was attacked by a Liberator and left burning! 3 float planes attacked the Liberator without effect.
- (3) S. Celebes - At 1200/16 Oct. Makassar dock area was bombed by 22 Liberators causing large fires and explosions along the waterfront. Only the last squadron over the target was intercepted by 5 or 6 enemy fighters although possibly as many as 12 fighters were seen air-borne. Some shipping was sighted at Makassar and photos show in the harbor 2 sub-chasers, 1 patrol craft 18 merchant vessels (totaling 4,000 tons) 1 flying boat and 4 floatplanes. 1 fighter was observed taking off Mandai drome and photographic coverage of 2 of the runways at Limboeng show 6 fighters 13 bombers present. In addition 4 sea truck type ships were observed near Sindjai (S.W. Bone Gulf.)
- (4) N.E. Borneo - Only small ships were seen in Darvel Bay area by a Catalina over night 15-16.: 2 sea trucks were attacked of which 1 was left on fire and the other sinking.
- (5) E. Borneo - Late reports from Liberators which participated in the raid on Balikpapan 14 Oct. indicate that at least 5 barrage balloons were seen aloft over the target area.
At 0015/16 Oct. Balikpapan was bombed by 1 Liberator.
- (6) Makassar Strait - At 0300/18 Oct. 3 large ships were contacted in N. Makassar Str. on course 35° at 23 knots.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (7) Halmahera-Ceram-Banda Seas - Sweeps were conducted over Central Halmahera through Southern Halmahera, Ceram to the Kai Is. on 16-17 Oct., on 16 Oct. Kau Bay and Dodinga Bay were attacked by 12 Lightnings which destroyed a sea truck and 2 barges, Wasili Bay through Batjan Is. to Halong (Ambon) was swept by 34 Lightnings shooting up an aggregate of 70 barges, Ambon Bay was swept by 10 Lightnings which destroyed 1 sea truck and 3 smaller craft while the usual sweeps were conducted around Ceram and Gorong Is. by flights of Kittyhawks. In addition 16 Oct. Namlea airdromes were bombed by 34 Liberators, Harcoekoe Kairatoo, Amahai and Boela airdromes by small-medium formations of Thunderbolts. and Ambon town by 24 Mitchells. At 0813/16 Oct. Langgoer airdrome was attacked by 23 Bostons 1 Mitchell.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) N.W. New Guinea - On 16 Oct. Timoeka and Mongasah (MacCluer Gulf) airdromes were attacked respectively by 13 Thunderbolts and 11 Bostons 1 Mitchell. In addition on 16 Oct. MacCluer Gulf, Bentoni Bay and S.W. Geelvink Bay were swept by the usual flights of Kittyhawks. Geelvink Bay and escape trails over to Bentoni Bay were again attacked 17 Oct. by flights of Kittyhawks.
- (2) Wewak - On 16 Oct. Boram strip was bombed by 6 Bostons and personnel areas in the Danmap River area were attacked by 6 Beauforts.
On 17 Oct. huts in the Danmap River area were attacked by 6 Beauforts again and gun positions on Kairiru and Muschu Is. were attacked by 6 Bostons 6 Mitchells

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. FORMOSA - Photos of S.W. Formosa 15 Oct. taken subsequent to the heavy super-fortress attacks in this area on 14 Oct. show that at least 50 aircraft were destroyed or damaged on the ground at Okayama airdromes and that all runways were left un-serviceable many of the buildings in the aircraft assembly plant at Okayama were destroyed and others damaged. No detail of this raid has been received other than that contained in press reports stating that strong forces of China based super-fortresses attacked targets in S.W. Formosa on 14 Oct.
2. JAPAN - Further reports concerning warships leaving Inland Sea 15 and 16 Oct. indicate that the first reported force comprising 3 heavy cruisers 1 light cruiser. proceeded on their Southerly course undisturbed and probably made up part of the aircraft carrier group seen 115 miles E. of Okinawa Jima at 1732/16 Oct. on course 250°. At 2245/16 Oct. another 2 heavy ships, reported as heavy cruiser, were seen leaving Bungo Channel: 1 torpedo hit was claimed by the attacking submarine and the ships were last seen returning towards Bungo Channel.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Continued Blue aircraft carrier operations Luzon-Formosa area despite intensified enemy shore-based aircraft counteractions.
- (2) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Nansei Shoto and Formosa.
- (3) Sortie of small enemy CV Task Force from Empire.
- (4) Possibly significant warship sighting Makassar Strait.
- (5) Strong BB/GA force in N. Borneo-Malaya area.
- (6) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

Distribution:

C in C SWPA (1)
G-2 (Navy) (1)
G-3 (Navy: Plans, Operations) (2)
Cdr. 7th Fleet (2)
Cdr. SWP Sea Frontier (2)
C in C Eastern Fleet (1)
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
	* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)			(Incl. Mandates)	
	(6) MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA	-	
<u>CVE</u>	(24) CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY BRETON	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATTU	WHITEPLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMANEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	
<u>CA</u>	(5) AUSTRALIA PORTLAND	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	
<u>CL</u>	(7) BOISE COLUMBIA	DENVER #HOBART	NASHVILLE HONOLULU	PHOENIX	
	(3) TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK	-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8) HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SANCARLOS BELKNAP	
<u>DD</u>	(95) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T. BADGER HARRISON	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MACKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROELER LAVALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER PENNION GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS	NEWCOMB R.P. LEARY H.L. EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W. GRANT DAVID W. TAYLOR CAPPS STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD
<u>SS</u>	(18) BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGARY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12	
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175			-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u>	WARD (AED)	CALLAWAY (AER)	ALPINE (APA)
<u>APA</u>	SCHLEY	LEON	HEYWOOD
<u>ARA</u>	HERBERT	SCHMER	LEO OLSEN
	CROSBY	PIERCE	FRES. HAYES
	KILTY	JAMES O'HARA	CLAY
	SANDS	WATTE	A.T. MIDDLETON
	MARLEY	FULLER	BAKTER
	TALBOT	HARRIS	W.F. BEDDLE
	KANE	FREMONT	CAMERIA
	B. ROCKS	BARNSHLEE	MONROVIA
	OVERTON	LEONARD WOOD	F. FUNSTON
	HUMPHREYS	CULSON	BOLIVAR
	KANIMBLA (APA)	EMPIRE SEEMARHEAD	SHERIDAN
	WESTRALIA	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	DOYEN
	MANOCRA	GIENELIN	AQUARIUS (AKA)
	FAYETTE	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA
	LEEDSTOWN	CAVALIER	TRUGAN
	CRABBY	J.F. BELL	CHARA
	WINDSOR	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN
	H.T. ALLEN	LELAND	CALPICOANUS
	CRESCENT CITY	KNCK	ALYCOSE
	WARREN	CALVERT	ALMACK
	FILMORE	GIJSBER	CIPEDA
	EMPIRE BATTLELINE	LAMAR	

AGC (5) BLUE RIDGE WASSERCH ROCKY MOUNT
MOUNT OLYMPUS APPALACHIAN

AS (3) OTUS HOLLAND
ORION

AD (4) DOBBIN SIERRA
PIEDMONT WHITNEY

AR (16) RIGEL (AR)
PLATYFUS
BRILIANTUS
MEDUSA
MIDAS (ARB)
CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)
COLALA
MINDANAO
CEBU
JASON (ARB)
REMUS (ARL)
ACHILLES
AMYCUS
VENT (ARS)
C.BLE
PRESERVER

LSD (10) CARTER HALL OAKHILL
EPPING FOREST WHITE MARSH
GUNSTON HALL LINDENWALD
ASHLAND BELLEGROVE
RUSHMORE CASA GRANDE

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Areas)

	# ALLIED FORCES			ENEMY FORCES	
				Philippines S. China Sea (Inc. Singapore)	Empire
<u>BB</u>	(14) IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	-	(2) ISE HYUGA
<u>CV</u>	(12) SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA	-	(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY	-	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (Poss. sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(24) BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY CAPE ESPERANCE COPAHEE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOR	HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU NEHENTA BAY PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMUA ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMAHA LUNGA POINT THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	- MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALIEGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4) KINU NOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (Poss. sunk)	6 (6) SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 200			25	25 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
		?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES-INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>					<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>			<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-		(4)	HOWE RETCOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-	
	-		(3)	VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-	
<u>CVE</u>	-		(6)	BATHUR UNICORN SHAN	ATHELING BEGUM AMEER	-
<u>CA</u>	-		(3)	CORBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	(3) ADELAIDE TROMP KENYA		(6)	ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS		-
<u>XCL</u>	-		(2)	CANTON	CHITRAL	-
<u>DE</u>				Approx. 27		-
<u>SS</u>	(50)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BONEFISH BOWFIN BREAM CERO COD	CREWALLE FLASHER GROWLER GURNARD GUITARO GUNNEL HADDO HARE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK	Approx. 16	10 (Poss. all German)
		CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR	SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMOCHUS		
		K.14 K.15	0.19	ZWAARDFISCH		
<u>AS</u>	(3)	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN	EURYALE			-

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>		<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>HANDLIES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>					
Fighters	-	-	-	99	204	12
S/E Bombers	-	-	-	41	53	-
M/E Bombers	-	-	-	96	50	3
Flying Boats	-	-	-	5	10	-
Fleet Planes	10	-	-	60	28	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	-	12	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	-	313	356	25

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY
Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.
Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.
No. 995 Date 19 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

- (1) (a) Elements Task Forces 77, 78, 79 at sea.
(b) Task Force 72
On Patrol : 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS" "DACE"
"PERMIT"
On Passage : 6 SS : "NARWHAL" "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY"
"S.42"
- (2) "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS) escorting Convoy BG 704 (1 AP/AK) departed Wakde 1100/17 for Morotai ETA 1100/20. At 0200/18 "BENDIGO" "BROOME" (AMS) to take over escort duties from "TOWNSVILLE" who return to Wakde.
- (3) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) departed Milne 1055/16 for Hollandia ETA PM 23 Oct.
- (4) "TANCRED" (AT) towing "ROCKLEA" was to depart Milne Bay 0900/18 for Madang.
- (5) "OCTORARA" (IX) departed Hollandia 1222/16 for Sydney ETA 1900/24.
- (6) "SC.1274" departed Manus 0200/16 for Milne Bay due 1100/19.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units	30	PT					
Escorts	5		:	3	PF	:	"ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE"
				2	AMS	:	"COWRA" "KIAMA"
Auxiliaries	46		:	1	AV	:	"TANGIER" 2 AVP: "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" 2 AVR
				1	AGP	:	"MOBJACK" 14 AP/AK 2 YFD 2 YPD
				2	YPF	:	2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP : 236 2 FS

Sansapor:

Combat units 11 PT

Biak-Woendi:

Combat units	1	SS	:	"CERO"
	39	PT		
Escorts	2		:	2 PF : "BURDEKIN" "LONG BEACH"
Auxiliaries	20		:	"CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" (AGP)
				"KURUMBA" "VICTORIA" (AO) "RIO GRANDE" "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG)
				"CHETCO" (AT) "TEAK" (YN) "COMFORT" (AH) "ARAYAT" (IX)
				"VIREO" (ATF) "LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YN) "REMUS" (ARL)
				2 YP : 237, 278 1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:

Escorts	4		:	"ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "GLENELG" "LATRODE" (AMS)
Auxiliaries	1		:	1 YP : 283

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units	1	DD	:	"EDWARDS"
Escorts	28		:	2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 3 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "LITHGOW"
				"DELORAINÉ"
				6 PF : "OGDEN" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "ORANGE"
				"HUTCHINSON"

Humboldt Bay: (Cont)

Escorts : 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 4 SC : 698, 742, 745, 981
 8 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 313, 334, 384
 Auxiliaries 42 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "DISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON"
 (AVP) "DIPHDA" (AKA) "SAKATONCHER" "SHIKELLAMY" (AG) "LOBEIN"
 (AD) "INDUS" "MURZIN" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" (IX)
 "DERRICK" (YO) "HIDATSA" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE)
 "MIDAS" (AR) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "CAELE" (ARS) "DENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (AS)
 "MERCY" (AH) "CANDRIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "STAG" (AW) "SILVERBELL"
 (YN) 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12 2 YFD
 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25 4 YP : 216, 240, 291, 292

Aitape:

Combat units 18 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132
Admiralties:
 Combat units 2 CVE: "DRETON" "NEHENTA BAY"
 8 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "HALL" "THATCHER"
 "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 Escorts 24 : 10 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES" "LEVY" "MITCHELL"
 "WILLIAM C. MILLER"
 3 PF : "ROCKFORD" "EUGENE" "HAWKESBURY" 2 SC : 747, 982
 1 ML : 827 2 PC : 500, 1124 6 YMS: 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393
 Auxiliaries 57 : "MISSISSINAWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "GUADALUPE" "CALIENTE" "NECHES"
 "TRINITY" "SABINE" "PLATTE" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JASON"
 (ARH) "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "PRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL"
 "SALUTE" (AM) "ARCTIC" (AF) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "EMPIRE AREQUEBUS"
 (APA) "CASTOR" (AKS) "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGG) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
 "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "NAOS" "CRUX" "ARIDED" "ZURACK" "CETUS" "LYRA"
 "HYPERION" "MINTAKA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHODOS" "BOOTES" "SHAULA"
 (AK) "LAURABADA" (AG) "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMADILLO" "LEOPARD"
 "PORCUPINE" "ARENDA" (IX) "CEBU" (ARG) "LUNTROON" (AP) "RAIL"
 "TERN" "TANABA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIEDMONT" (AD) "HOPE"
 "BOUNTIFUL" (AH) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE)
 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Combat units 1 ODD: "VENDETTA"
 Escorts 8 : 2 SC : 703, 743 2 ML : 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 3 AMS: "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA"
 Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPA" (AG) "BINGERA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" 1 YP: 504
Langemak:
 Combat units 1 CVE: "ATTU"
 Escorts 14 : 1 PF : "VAN BUREN" 1 AMS: "GEEELONG" 1 YMS: 46 1 ML: 802
 6 SC : 659, 734, 738, 739, 748, 750 4 PC: 218, 585, 1121, 1591
 Auxiliaries 11 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "GEN.R.E.CALLAN" (AP)
 "MINDANAO" (ARG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "SATINLEAF" (YN) 1 AFD: 10

Bay:

Auxiliaries 1 : "MONTEREY" (AP)
Milne Bay:
 Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 1 AMS: "GYMPIE" 1 YMS: 315 1 PC : 479
 2 ML : 801, 806 3 SC : 732, 735, 736
 Auxiliaries 9 : "GANMELE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "EMPIRE BATTLEAXE" (APA)
 "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) 1 ARD: 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12
Port Moresby:
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 803, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

(1) "WILLIAM C. COLE" (DE) escorting "CAPE JOHNSON" departed Lunga 0100/18 for Torokina due 1100/19.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 1 YMS : 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP : "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS : 95
 Auxiliaries 3 : 3 YP : 348, 515, 520

Torokina:

Escorts 7 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 5 PC : 476, 477, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 3 : "ALKAID" (AK) "CAP DES PALMES" (AG) "ADLERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGM
 Escorts 6 : 2 PC : "598, 605" 1 YMS : 47 3 SC : 677, 722, 1074
 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI"
 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267

2. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

- (1) "CALAMARES" (AF) was to depart Caloundra 1300/17 for Hollandia ETA 0800/24.
- (2) "PONTUS" (AGP) was to depart Caloundra 1800/17 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/24.
- (3) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0300/6 for Brisbane ETA approx 18 Oct tending S.E. New Guinea, Lihon, Frederick Reef lights en route.
- (4) "KYBRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0924/17 for Caloundra ETA 0900/20.
- (5) "YMS.94,99" were to depart Noumea 13 Oct for Sydney.
- (6) "PC.1228" departed Sydney 0915/15 for Port Purvis ETA 1200/20.
- (7) "CHIPPEWA" (AT) departed Oro Bay 2330/12 for Newcastle ETA AM 21 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMEROE" "MERB ARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS : "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 9 : 3 AMS : "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 5 ML : 426, 428, 431, 816, 818
 1 SC : 699
 Auxiliaries 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 2 APA : "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" "GLENEARN"
 1 AFD : 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "TASMAN" (AH)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONALNOCK"
 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS : "STABELL" "WHYALLA" 3 HML : 1129, 1324, 1329
 1 PC : 1131 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA) 1 YP : 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 ODL : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 10 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 1 AMS : "KAPUNDA" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 2 A/S : "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
 Auxiliaries 9 : "RIGEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MAETSUYCKER"
 "MANUNDA" (AH) "GOLLSTAR" (AG) "MERKUR" (AF) "BUNGARRE" (CM)
 "EVANGELINE" (XAPC)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "DALLARAT" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "DUNDABERG" "BATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

(1) "Task Force 71

On Patrol : 19 SS : "ANGLER" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "BREAM" "COD" "BLUEGILL"
 "DONEFISH" "GURNARD" "CAVALLA" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD"
 "LAPON" "RAY" "MINGO" "PORPOISE" "ROCK" "GUITAR"
 "ZWANFISCH" "RATON"

On Passage : 17 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BANDERO" "REDFIN" "SIRDAR"
 "SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "STOIC" "BAYA" "STORM" "TANTIVY"
 "RECUNA" "HAWKILL" "HOE" "SEA ROVER" "K.15"

(2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "OCHOCO" departed Darwin 0746/15 presumably for Thursday Is.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Combat units 1 SS : "DARTFISH"
 Escorts 8 : 4 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM"
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907
 Auxiliaries 4 : "COUCAL" (ASR) "MORESEY" "SHEPPARTON" "STELLA" (AS)

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

- (1) "NAPIER" (DD) departed Melbourne 1100/15 for Fremantle ETA 1400/20.
 (2) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP) departed Melbourne 1046/15 for Bombay ETA 28 Oct.
 (3) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 DD : "NEPAL"
 12 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADDO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
 "P.318" "TANTALUS" "K.14" "O.19" "MUSKELLUNGE"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 10 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
 "INVERELL" "BUNBURY" "PARKES" "WARRENCOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 RD: 10
 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

(1) Luzon - On 17 Oct. aircraft and installations in the Manila area were attacked by carrier borne aircraft which flew 113 sorties: 24 enemy aircraft were shot down over the Clark Field area and an estimated 30-40 aircraft on Clark Field and Mabalcat Field were damaged or destroyed. On 18 Oct. aircraft and installations as well as shipping on Northern Luzon were attacked by carrier-borne aircraft: incomplete reports only have been received and these indicate that only 1 enemy aircraft was seen airborne and this was shot down; 18 aircraft were destroyed on the ground mainly at Isog airdrome. In addition 2 medium transports were sunk off Camiguin Is. (off N. coast Luzon), 2 large transports 1 small tanker were left burning in the same vicinity and 1 small coastal freighter was left burning off Aparri: fuel storage installations at Aparri were also left burning.

A further evaluation of reports from the aircraft-carrier Task Groups 10-16 Oct. inclusive, conducting operations against Nansei Shoto, Formosa and Luzon, give the following aggregate results:-

Aircraft:

256 enemy aircraft shot down by fighters over Task Force.

269 aircraft shot down over targets.

40 enemy aircraft shot down by ships gunfire.

Total 565 shot down in combat

350 destroyed on the ground

Total 915 enemy aircraft destroyed 10/16 Oct.

Our aircraft losses total approx. 80 planes.

Shipping: (excluding sea trucks and smaller).

Sunk (29 Ships): 22 cargo vessels (2 large 9 medium 11 small).

1 sub-tender.

1 destroyer escort.

1 minesweeper.

4 midget submarines.

Probably sunk:

(18 ships): 2 tankers.

13 cargo vessels (1 large 5 medium 7 small).

1 minesweeper.

2 escort vessels.

Damaged:

(35 ships): 31 cargo vessels (1 large 9 medium 21 small).

2 small tankers.

1 large transport.

1 destroyer.

In addition at least 26 sea truck type vessels and many smaller craft were either damaged or destroyed.

- (2) Lingayan Gulf - Local sources report that on 14 Oct. 25 Jap transports arrived in Lingayan Gulf and on 17 Oct. troops were disembarking and modern artillery, ammunition and equipment was being unloaded. The troops then commenced preparations for beach defenses.
- (3) Central Philippines - At 0700/17 Oct. the probable seaplane tender reported A.M. 16 Oct. off N.E. Panay moved S. Later that morning 1 medium tanker also moved to the S. from a position off N.E. Panay and 2 merchant ships with 2 escorts departed from the same vicinity to the E. or N.E.
- (4) Davao - On 17 Oct. Ilang barracks (just N. of Davao) and installations in the vicinity were bombed by 59 Liberators.
- (5) Zamboanga - During a sweep of the Zamboanga area 17 Oct. by 15 Lightnings, 2 sea trucks were attacked and destroyed or damaged and a flying boat also destroyed.
- (6) Leyte Gulf - Allied landings have now been affected on Suluan Is. and Dinagat Is. but further details are not yet available.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - On 17 Oct. a ground patrol encountered enemy near Pilowo village on S.W. coast and were unable to make further progress.
- (2) Kau Bay - Night 16-17 Oct. PT boats reported a possible submarine contact near Miti Is. It is recalled that torpedoes were encountered in this vicinity previous night, believed to be from shore positions.
- Kau airdrome was bombed 17 Oct. by 12 Lightnings.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (3) N. Celebes - On 17 Oct. 2 floatplanes were located at the seaplane anchorage in Toli Toli Bay by a search Liberator and 1 of the floatplanes was destroyed.
On 18 Oct. Manado town was bombed by 34 Liberators and Mapanget by another 2 Liberators. There was no interception nor AA.
- (4) S. E. Celebes - Photos 14 Oct. show Kendari, Ambesia, Witicola, Boroboro and Boroce airdromes all operational: coverage was incomplete rendering an assessment of the total aircraft present impracticable. Photos 17 Oct. of Pomolaa show 5 bombers present and the runway serviceable.
- (5) E. Borneo - Preliminary reports indicate that Balikpapan was raided daylight 18 Oct. in very unfavorable weather by 8 Liberators: bombs were dropped through clouds and results were unobserved. No AA nor interception was experienced.
- (6) Timor - At 1600/17 Oct. aircraft observed 2 small coasters and about 14 barges in Dilli Harbor.
- (7) Ceram-Kai - During 18 Oct. the usual fighter-bomber sweeps were conducted by Kittyhawks and Beaufighters but no shipping was reported.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Vogelkop Peninsula - On 18 Oct. the usual fighter-bomber sweeps were conducted S. from Manokwari, across the escape trails from Geelvink Bay to Bentoni Bay and along MacCluer Gulf shores.
- (2) Wewak - A.M. 18 Oct. AA positions and villages in the Dagua-Boiken area were attacked by 5 Bostons 6 Mitchells 6 Beauforts.

4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - Night 16-17 Oct. Kavieng was raided by 2 Mitchells. On 17 Oct. enemy concentrations and camp sites in Wide Bay and Open Bay were attacked by 44 Dauntless 47 Corsairs. In addition targets in Rabaul town were attacked by 3 Drones and offensive patrols over Gazelle Peninsula conducted by 40 Corsairs: offensive patrols were also conducted over New Ireland and Bougainville involving 6 Dauntless 8 Mitchells 36 Corsairs.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NANSEI SHOTO - At 1115/18 Oct. an enemy force of 2 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser and 6 destroyers was observed by submarine 100 miles W. of Amami Gunto course 320° speed 17 knots. This force is thought to be part of the aircraft carrier task force seen E. of Okinawa Jima P.M. 16 Oct. now retiring.
2. NAMPO SHOTO - Early 15 Oct. Iwo Jima was bombed by a Liberator and during daylight 15 Oct. gun positions and airdrome installations on Iwo Jima were bombed by 27 Liberators. The daylight strike was intercepted with aggression by 8 enemy fighters of which 1 was probably shot down and another 3 damaged. 1 small coastal vessel and 3 lighters were observed at Iwo Jima.
3. CAROLINES - On 14 Oct. airdromes installations at Truk were bombed by 15 Liberators: 3 enemy fighters intercepted without aggression.
4. FORMOSA-CHINA COAST - At midday probably 17 Oct. Eimansho airdrome on Formosa, Takao Harbor and Amoy on the China coast were attacked by 24 Super-fortresses. Enemy fighters intercepted over Formosa and 7 were destroyed 8 damaged without losses to our aircraft. Shipping observed in Amoy was described as 1 large warship and 10 small merchant ships.
Photos of 5 airfields in the Hong Kong area 14 and 15 Oct. indicate the presence of about 80 aircraft of which over 50 are probably fighters.
Photos 15 Oct. of Hong Kong Harbor show 12 naval craft and 49 merchant ships totalling 138,100 tons: in addition 7 ships are visible under construction or in dry-dock.
At 2120/18 Oct. a convoy comprising 18 ships (11 large 5 medium 2 small) 185 miles W.S.W. of Hong Kong on course 30°.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Continued Blue aircraft carrier operations Luzon-Formosa area despite enemy shore-based aircraft counteraction.
- (2) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Nansai Shoto, Formosa and Luzon.
- (3) Probable retirement of small enemy CV Task Force from Empire.
- (4) Blue operations Leyte Gulf.
- (5) Strong BB/CA force in N. Borneo-Malaya area.
- (6) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

Distribution: G-3 (Navy) (2) C in C EF (1)
C in C SWPA (1) Cdr. 7th Fleet (2) File (1)
G-2 (Navy) (1) Cdr. SWP SF (2)

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCE
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>BB</u>	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSE WEST VIRGINIA			-
<u>CVE</u>	(25)	CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY BRETON NEHENTA BAY	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATTU	WHITE PLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMANEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY		-
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	PORTLAND	-
<u>CL</u>	(7)	BOISE # HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	NASHVILLE	PHOENIX	COLUMBIA	-
<u>AV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK			-
	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS	BELKNAP	-
<u>DD</u>	(99)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T.B ADGER HARRISON HALL THATCHER	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MACKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'B ANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHOREDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN CALDWELL	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER PENNION GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS COGHLAN	NEWCOMB R.P. LEARY H.L. EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W. GRANT DAVID W. TAYLOR CAPPS STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD	-
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12		10

PT Approx. 175

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>			<u>(Incl. Mandates)</u>
<u>APD</u>	(71)	<u>WARD (APD)</u>	EMPIRE BATTLE AXE (APA)	ALPINE (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>		SCHLEY	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	HEYWOOD	
<u>AKA</u>		HERBERT	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	LEO OLYMEN	
		CROSBY	LEON	PRES. HAYES	
		KILTY	SUMTER	CLAY	
		SANDS	PIERCE	A.T. MIDDLETON	
		MANLEY	JAMES O'HARA	BAXTER	
		TALBOT	WAYNE	W.P. BIDDLE	
		<u>KANE</u>	FULLER	CAMERIA	
		BROOKS	HARRIS	MONROVIA	
		OVERTON	FREMONT	F. FUNSTON	
		HUMPHREYS	BARNSTABLE	BOLIVAR	
		KANIMBLA (APA)	LEONARD WOOD	SHERIDAN	
		CALLAWAY	CLEMSON	DOYEN	
		WESTRALIA	GLENEARN	AQUARIUS (AKA)	
		MANOORA	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA	
		FAYETTE	CAVALIER	THUGAN	
		LEEDSTOWN	J.F. BELL	O'HARA	
		ORMSBY	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN	
		WINDSOR	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS	
		H.T. ALLEN	KNOX	ALYCON	
		CRESCENT CITY	CALVERT	ALMAACK	
		WARREN	CLUSTER	DIPHDA	
		ELMORE	LAMAR		
<u>AG</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT	-
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN		
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND	ORION	-
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA	WHITNEY	-
		PIEDMONT			
<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)			
		PLATYPUS			
		BRIAREUS			
		MEDUSA			
		MIDAS (ARB)			
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)			
		OGLALA			
		MINDANAO			
		CEBU			
		JASON (ARH)			
		REMUS (ARL)			
		ACHILLES			
		AMYCUS			
		VENT (ARS)			
		CABLE			
		PRESERVER			
<u>LSD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL		
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH		
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD		
		ASHLAND	BELLEGGROVE		
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Areas)

ENEMY FORCES

	# ALLIED FORCES			Philippines S. China Sea (Inc. Singapore)	Empire	
<u>BB</u>	(14)	IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
<u>BB/XCV</u>					(2) ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12)	SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA		(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9)	CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY		(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HCSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (Poss. sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(24)	BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY CAPE ESPERANCE COPAHEE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOR	HOLLANDIA MUNDA MASEAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAUA ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMAHA LUNGA POINT THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8)	BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19)	BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALIEGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4) KINU HOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (Poss. sunk)	6 (6) SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>CLT</u>					KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4)	BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE		(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 200			25	25 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>			?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES-INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>		
<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>			<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>	<u>Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-		(4) HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT		-
<u>CV</u>	-		(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS		-
<u>CVE</u>	-		(6) BATTIER UNICORN SHAH	ATHELING BEGUM AMEER	-
<u>CA</u>	-		(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	(3) ADELAIDE TROMP KENYA		(6) ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-		ALBATROSS		-
<u>YC</u>	-		(2) CANTON	CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>			Approx. 27		-
<u>SS</u>	(50) ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BONEFISH BOWFIN BREAM CERO COD	CREVALLE FLASHER GROWLER GURNARD GUITARO GUNNEL HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK	Approx. 16	10 (Poss. all German)
	CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR	SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS		
	K.14 K.15	0.19	ZWAARDFISCH		
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE	GRIFFIN	EURYALE		-

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	99	204	12
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	53	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	96	50	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	10	-
Float Planes	10	-	60	22	6
Obsn. A/U	2	-	12	28	4
TOTAL	12	-	313	356	25

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA**

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 996

Date 20 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

(a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units	77.1.1	(Fleet Flagship Unit)
	77.1.2	(Cruiser Unit)
Task Group	77.2	(Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
	77.3	(Close Covering Group)
	77.4	(Escort Carrier Group)
	77.5	(Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
	77.6	(Beach Demolition Group)
	77.7	(Service Group)

(b) Task Force 78 (NORTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Group	78.1	} - (Attack Groups)
	78.2	
	78.3	
	78.4	
	78.5	(Harbor Entrance Group)
	78.6	(First Reinforcement Group)
	78.7	(Second Reinforcement Group)

(c) Task Force 79 (SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Group	79.1	} - (Attack Groups)
	79.2	
	79.3	} - (Transport Groups)
	79.4	

(2) Task Force 72

On Patrol : 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS"
"PERMIT"

On Passage : 7 SS : "NARWHAL" "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "CERO"
"S.42"

(3) "BRETON" (CVE) was to depart Manus Is about 20 Oct for Pearl Harbor.

(4) "ROCKFORD" (PF) departed Manus Is 1500/18 for Pearl Harbor.

(5) "GEN. R. E. CALLAN" (AP) departed Langomak 1422/17 for San Francisco.

(6) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) departed Milne 1055/16 for Hollandia ETA PM 23 Oct.

(7) "TANCRED" (AT) towing "ROCKLEA" departed Milne Bay 0900/18 for Madang ETA 1100/21.

(8) "OCTORARA" (IX) departed Hollandia 1222/16 for Sydney ETA 1900/24.

(b) In Harbour:

Atai:

Combat units	29	<u>PT</u>	
Escorts	7		3 <u>PF</u> : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE"
			4 <u>AMS</u> : "COWRA" "KAIMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME"
Auxiliaries	46		1 <u>AV</u> : "TANGIER" 2 <u>AVP</u> : "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" 1 <u>AGP</u> : "MOBJACK"
			14 <u>AP/AK</u> 2 <u>YFD</u> 2 <u>YPD</u> 2 <u>YPF</u> 2 <u>YO</u> 2 <u>YOG</u> 2 <u>FS</u>
			1 <u>YP</u> : 236

Sansapor:Combat units 8 PTRoemfoor Is:

Auxiliaries 1 : "SUSQUEHANNA" (AG)

Biak-Woendi:Combat units 44 PTAuxiliaries 19 : "CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP)
"KURUMBAN" "VICTORIA" (AO) "RIO GRANDE" (AG) "TEAK" (YN)
"ARAYAT" (IA) "VIREO" (ATF) "LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YN) "REMUS"
(ARL) 2 YP : 237, 278 1 YD 2 YFDMaffin Bay:

Escorts 5 : "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "GLENELG" "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS)

1 PF : "BURDEKIN"Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP : 283Humboldt Bay:Combat units 9 DL : "EDWARDS" "FLUSSER" "SHAW" "DRAYTON" "LAMSON" "SMITH" "MAHAN"
"REID" "CONYGHAM"Escorts 31 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 4 AMS : "COOTAMUNDRA" "LITHGOW"
"DELOIR AINE" "LATROBE"8 PF : "OGDEN" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "ORANGE"
"HUTCHINSON" "EUGENE" "LONG BEACH"5 PC : 84,695,812,1137,1180 4 SC : 698,742,745,9818 YMS : 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 313, 334, 384Auxiliaries 43 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "BISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON"
(AVP) "DIPLOMA" (KA) "SAKATONCHEE" "SHIKELLAWY" (AG) "DOBBIN"
(AE) "INDUS" "MURZIM" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" (IX)
"DERRICK" (YO) "CHETCO" "HIDATSA" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "POYANG"
"PYRO" (AE) "MIDAS" (AR) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OCTANS"
(AF) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "CABLE" (ARS) "BENALLA" (AGS)
"OTUS" (AS) "MERCY" (AH) "CABRIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "STAG" (AW)
"SILVERBELL" (YN) 1 ATR : 31 2 ARD : 7, 12 2 YFD
4 AFD : 11, 16, 24, 25 4 YP : 216, 240, 291, 292Sitape:Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132Admiralties:Combat units 1 CVE : "NEHENTABAY"6 LD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"1 ODD : "VENDETTA"2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"4 PTEscorts 19 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA"
"JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PAKES"1 PF : "HAWKESBURY" 2 SC : 747, 982 1 ML : 8272 PC : 500, 1124 6 YMS : 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393

Auxiliaries 47 : "CALIENTE" "TRINITY" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JASON" (ARH)

"PASQUOTANK" (AG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE"

(AM) "ARCTIC" (AF) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA)

"MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (AN)

"NAOS" "CRUX" "ARIDEL" "ZAUROCK" "CETUS" "LYRA" "HYPERION"

"MINTAKA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES" "SHAULA" (AK)

"LAURABADA" (AG) "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMADILLO" "LEOPARD"

"PORCUPINE" "ABARENDA" (IX) "CEBU" (ARG) "DUNTHROON" (AF)

"RAIL" "TERN" "TAWABA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIELMONT" (AD)

"BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 3 YP : 280, 288, 585Alexishafen-Madang:Escorts 11 : 2 SC : 703, 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS : "RINDJANI"5 AMS : "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GEBLONG" "ARARAT"Auxiliaries 5 : "KOPPA" (AG) "BINGERA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" 1 YP : 504Langemak:Combat units 1 CVE : "ATTU"Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "VAN BUREN" 1 YMS : 46 4 PC : 218, 585, 1121, 15916 SC : 659, 734, 738, 739, 748, 750

Auxiliaries 10 : "CLYDE" (IX) "KASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)

"CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "MINDANAO" (ARG)

"BULL WHEEL" (YO) "SATINLEAF" (YN) 1 AFD : 10Milne Bay:Escorts 8 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 1 YMS : 315 1 PC : 479 1 ML : 8064 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274

Milne Bay: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 8 : "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "WHIFFPOORWILL" (AM)
 1 ARD: 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 801, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

- (1) "PC.596" escorting 3 LCI departed Guadalcanal 1600/19 for Torokina ETA 0900/21.
- (2) "PC.606" escorting 2 LCI departed Guadalcanal 0700/20 for Green Is ETA 0800/22.
- (3) "YMS.329,481" escorting "KINGFISHER" (AT) with tow and "YF.624" were to depart Tulagi about 18 Oct for Finschhafen and Manus.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 1 YMS: 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP: "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS: 95
 Auxiliaries 5 : 3 YP : 348, 515, 520 "ALKAL" (AK) "CAP DES PALMES" (AG)

Torokina:

Escorts 8 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 5 PC : 476, 477, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 1 : "ALDERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 FGM
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS: 47 1 YP: 348
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269

Munda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS: "KIWI" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

- (1) "GYMPIE" (AMS) with APC 6 was to depart Cairns 1700/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/22.
- (2) "MERKUR" (AF) departed Brisbane 1005/18 for Milne Bay ETA 0901/23.
- (3) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) departed Sydney 1550/17 for Hollandia ETA PM 24 Oct.
- (4) "WILCANNIA" (A/S) departed Sydney 19 Oct for Milne Bay ETA 27 Oct.
- (5) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (6) "CALAMARES" (AF) was to depart Caloundra 1300/17 for Hollandia ETA 0800/24.
- (7) "PONTUS" (AGP) was to depart Caloundra 1800/17 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/24.
- (8) "MONTEREY" (AP) departed Oro Bay 2300/17 for Brisbane ETA 0500/21.
- (9) "BANGALOW" "ML.803" departed Port Moresby 0930/18: "BANGALOW" for Townsville, "ML.803" for Cairns, ETA both ports AM 23 Oct.
- (10) "CHIPPEWA" (AT) departed Oro Bay 2330/12 for Newcastle ETA AM 21 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS: "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 9 : 3 AMS: "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC : 699
 5 ML : 426, 428, 431, 816, 818
 Auxiliaries 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 2 APA: "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" "GLENEARN"
 1 AFD: 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "TASMAN" (AH)

Rowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:
 Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "BASHAN" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 15 : 2 AMS: "STAMMELL" "WHYALLA" 3 HML: 1129, 1324, 1329
 1 A/S: "WHYALLA" 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 1 PC : 1131
 Auxiliaries 9 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "CHALLENGER" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN"
 (APA) 1 YP : 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 ODD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 11 : 1 LE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 1 AMS: "KAFUNDA" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 1 A/S: "YANDRA" 2 YMS: 94, 99
 Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUMATA" (AH)
 "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "BUNGARBE" (CM) "EVANGELINE" (XAPC)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMS A" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "BUNDABERG" "BATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

(1) Task Force 71
 On Patrol 22 SS : "ANGLER" "BATFISH" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "DREAM" "COD" "BLUEGILL"
 "BONEFISH" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "RAY"
 "MINGO" "PORPOISE" "ROCK" "GUITARO" "ZWAARDFISCH" "RATON"
 "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY"
 On Passage 16 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BARBERO" "REEFIN" "STRIDER" "K.15"
 "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "BAYA" "BECUNA" "HAWKBILL" "HOE"
 "SEA ROVER" "TANTALUS"

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 9 : 5 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM" "FREMANTLE"
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

- (1) "NAPIER" (DD) departed Melbourne 1100/15 for Fremantle ETA 1400/20.
- (2) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP) departed Melbourne 1046/15 for Bombay ETA 28 Oct.
- (3) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 DD : "NEPAL"
 11 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADDO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD"
 "JACK" "MUSKELLUNGE" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 10 AMS: "DUBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
 "INVERELL" "DUNBURY" "PARKES" "WALRNAMBOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MILDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 ARD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

1. SOUTH CHINA SEA - At 1405/19 Oct. a group of enemy shipping described as 1 aircraft carrier, 2 cruisers and 3 destroyers were observed by aircraft 90 miles S.E. of Tonkon Pt. (E. Hainan Is. course 330° speed 25 knots.
At 2250/19 Oct. 5 large unidentified ships were sighted 135 miles E.S.E. of Tonkon Pt. course E.

2. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte Gulf - Afternoon 18 Oct. the town and airdrome of Dulag were bombarded by heavy Naval surface ships: the town was reported wrecked.
Two desultory enemy air attacks were launched, 18 Oct., one A.M. the other P.M., against allied shipping in Leyte Gulf: no damage was suffered to our ships.
Probably on 18 Oct. aircraft sighted some 300 small boats, each containing only a few Japs, heading towards W. coast Leyte Is. from the direction of Bohol.
- (2) Visayas - At 0845/18 Oct. 4 ships, of which 1 was identified as a Sub-chaser and another as a small tanker, were observed off Northern Cebu Is. proceeding N. out of Tanon Strait.
- (3) Mindanao - On 18 Oct. small type shipping in Polloc Harbor was attacked by 16 Lightnings and barges on the Mindanao River and motor vehicles along the Cotabata-Sarangani Bay road were strafed.
At 0800/19 Oct. 5 sea trucks were observed entering Cagayan Harbor from N.
Photos 15 Oct. covering 6 airdromes in the Davao area show only 5 serviceable aircraft present (3 bombers, 1 transport) on Matina and Padada airdromes. Runways on all these airdromes are serviceable except that at Darong.
- (4) Sulu Archipelago - On 18 Oct. small type shipping was attacked by 16 Lightnings which swept Southwards from Zamboanga: an aggregate of 5 small ships and a few luggers were set on fire or damaged and in addition 2 floatplanes were destroyed off Jolo.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - On 18 Oct. scattered enemy contacts were reported by patrols on Morotai particularly near the Western flank of the S.W. Morotai perimeter. There is evidence that enemy forces on Morotai may possibly be reorganizing for some aggressive action.
- (2) Halmahera - Sweeps by flights of Lightnings, Thunderbolts and Kittyhawks over Wasile Bay, Kau Bay, Dodinga and Djailolo were carried out 17, 18 and 19 Oct. The airfields and camps were worked over and road targets were attacked in addition to a few small craft found in the area.
- (3) N. Celebes - On 18 Oct. Manado town was bombed by 34 Liberators and Mapanget by 2 Liberators.
- (4) S.E. Celebes - At 1245/19 Oct. aircraft sighted 2 possible destroyers with 1 merchant ship, possibly medium sized, approx. 70 miles S.W. of Boetong Is. Course 85°.
- (5) S.W. Celebes - At 2350/18 Oct. Catalinas over Makassar sighted 2 naval vessels and 7 merchant ships which 2 were estimated to be 4,000 tons each, all presumably in Makassar Harbor.
A report from aircraft in flight probably at 0340/19 Oct. indicated 16 large merchant vessels and some small craft in Pare Pare Bay (approx. 70 miles N. of Makassar).
At 1125/19 Oct. Pare Pare, which has previously been noted as a small type ship building center, was bombed by 8 Liberators: fires were breaking out in the target area as the aircraft left. Possibly 8 sizeable merchant ships and numerous small craft were observed in Pare Pare Bay.
- (6) E. Borneo - Night 17-18 Oct. a Catalina sighted 6 luggers in the Tarakan area.
A report from aircraft in flight at 1100/19 Oct. indicates 1 destroyer with an 8,000 ton cargo vessel 50 miles S.W. of Cape Mangkalihat (N. Makassar Strait) course 85°.
Photos 16 Oct. show 2 airdromes in the Samarinda area (approx. 60 miles N.N. Balikpapan): the runways appear serviceable but absence of dispersal systems would indicate that airdromes are not fully operational.
- (7) Ambon Area - On 17 Oct. dumps in Ambon Bay were attacked by 16 Thunderbolts and Namlea airdromes were attacked by 23 Mitchells. In addition oil installations at Boela were bombed by 12 Bostons.
On 18 Oct. Namlea airdromes were again attacked by 12 Mitchells, Liang by 16 Thunderbolts while Boela and Ambon town were raided by 18 Mitchells, 1 Liberator and 4 Kittyhawks.
- (8) Ceram-Kai - On 19 Oct. sweeps of this area were repeated by flights of Kittyhawks and Beaufighters but few targets only were found.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)4. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Vogelkop Peninsula - On 17 Oct. Sagan was raided by 12 Bostons. On 18 Oct. Babo, Sagan and Otawiri were raided by 33 Bostons, 5 Mitchells and 32 Thunderbolts. On 19 Oct. sweeps of the Babo, Sagan and Manokwari areas were conducted by flights of Kittyhawks.
- (2) Wewak - On 19 Oct. personnel areas in the Danmap River mouth sector were attacked by 6 Beauforts, 6 Mitchells, 6 Bostons and Wewak strip was bombed by 9 Liberators escorted by 4 Lightnings and 4 Thunderbolts (from a training unit).
At 1100/19 Oct. aircraft sighted a submarine 5 miles N.E. of Wewak.

4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - Night 17-18 and 18-19 Oct. PT boats patrolled New Ireland coast and S.E. Bougainville with negative results.

On night 17-18 Oct. Rabaul was bombed by 3 Mitchells. On 18 Oct. a suspected barge hideout at Raluana Pt., was bombed by 12 Dauntless and enemy concentrations on Wide Bay were bombed by 20 Dauntless 27 Corsairs: otherwise only offensive patrols were conducted over the area generally by Corsairs and Mitchells.

Local sources report that about midnight 17-18 Oct. a submarine approached Eaea, in Open Bay, and cruised off shore until about dawn. There is no confirmatory evidence of submarine supply to this area but such activity is possible. In any case, the report lends further evidence of enemy coastal supply in the Open Bay area.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. FORMOSA - At 1300/19 Oct. aircraft sighted 4 heavy cruisers and 5 destroyers 50 miles E.N.E. of Northeastern Formosa course W.
Photos taken subsequent to the Super-fortress raid on Formosa 17 Oct. show that Okayama assembly plant was destroyed and a direct hit plus near misses were scored on a sizeable tanker.
2. CHINA COAST - Photos of Hong Kong 16 Oct. show 1 cruiser (480 ft.), 7 other naval vessels and 37 merchant ships (totalling 113,000 tons) in the harbor in addition to the 7 ships in dock.
Considerable shipping activity is reported along the China coast S. W. of Hong Kong 18 and 19 Oct. comprising convoys of 3-7 ships all apparently Northward bound.
3. CAROLINES - On 17 Oct. Eten airdrome on Haha Jima was bombed by 14 Liberators.
4. NAMPO SHOTO - On 17 Oct. Okimura town was bombed by 11 Liberators.
At 1155/18 Oct. a destroyer was sighted 70 miles N.N.E. of Chichi Jima Course N.
5. INDIAN OCEAN - Enemy sources announce that the Nicobar Is. were attacked by an Allied Aircraft Carrier Force on 17 Oct. but no details are yet available.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Continued Blue aircraft carrier operations Philippines area.
- (2) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Mansai Shoto, Formosa and Luzon.
- (3) Enemy warship sightings in Formosa-S. China Sea area.
- (4) Blue operations Leyte Gulf.
- (5) Strong BB/GA force in N. Dornce-Mhlaya area.
- (6) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>				<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>			
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern section)				(Incl. Mandates)			
<u>BB</u>	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>CVE</u>	(25)	CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY BRETON	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATTU	WHITE PLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMONEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	-	
<u>GA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	PORTLAND	-
<u>CL</u>	(9)	BOISE #HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	WASHVILLE ADLAIDE	PHOENIX TROMP	COLUMBIA	-
<u>AV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK			-
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS	BELKNAP	-
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNG A JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T. BAIGER HARRISON HALL THATCHER SHAW MAHIN	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MCKEE MORRIS MULLINY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHAEPLER LA VALLETTE TRAHLEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON DRAYTON REID	RUSSEL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON RENEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN CALDWELL LAMSON	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BIEGER PENNION CANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY MULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS COGHEAN SMITH	N.WOODB R.P. LEARY H.L. EDWARDS MCLEMMOTT ROSS A.W. GRANT DAVID W. TAYLOR CAPPS STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAMUNCEY BRADINE PICKING ISHELMWOOD FLUSSER CONYNGHAM	-
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA NEPHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPO	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12		10
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175					-

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>		<u>(Incl. Mandates)</u>
<u>APD</u>	(71)	<u>WARD (APD)</u>	<u>EMPIRE BATTLE AXE (APA)</u>	<u>ALPINE (APA)</u>
<u>APA</u>		SCHLEY	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	HEYWOOD
<u>AKA</u>		HERBERT	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	LEO OLYMEN
		CROSEY	LEON	PRES. HAYES
		KILTY	SUMTER	CLAY
		SANDS	PIERCE	A.T.MIDDLETON
		MANLEY	JAMES O'HARA	BAXTER
		TALBOT	WAYNE	W.P.BIDDLE
		KANE	FULLER	CAMERIA
		BROOKS	HARRIS	MONROVIA
		OVERTON	FREMONT	F.FUNSTON
		HUMPHREYS	BARNSTABLE	BOLIVAR
		KANIBELA (APA)	LEONARD WOOD	SHERIDAN
		GALLAWAY	CLEMSON	DOYEN
		WESTRALIA	GLENEARN	AQUARIUS (AKA)
		MANOORA	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA
		FAYETTE	CAVALIER	THUGAN
		LEEDSTOWN	J.F.BELL	O'HARA
		ORMSEY	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN
		WINDSOR	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS
		H.T. ALLEN	KNOX	ALYCON
		CRESCENT CITY	CALVERT	ALMAACK
		WARREN	CLUSTER	DIPEDA
		ELMORE	LAMAR	
<u>JGC</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN	
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND	ORION
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBIN	SIERRA	WHITNEY
		PIEDMONT		
<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)		
		PLATYPUS		
		BRIAREUS		
		MEDUSA		
		MIDAS (ARB)		
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)		
		CGLALA		
		MINDANAO		
		CEBU		
		JASON (ARH)		
		REMUS (ARL)		
		ACHILLES		
		AMYCUS		
		VENT (ARS)		
		CABLE		
		PRESERVER		
<u>ISD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL	
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH	
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD	
		ASHLAND	BELLE GROVE	
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE	

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Areas)

# ALLIED FORCES			ENEMY FORCES		
			Philippines S. China Sea (Inc. Singapore)	Empire	
<u>BB</u>	(14) IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	(2) ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12) SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA	-	(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKI UMRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY	-	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HCSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (Poss. sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(24) BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY CAPE ESPERANCE COPAHEE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOF	HOLLANDIA MUNDA MUSAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAUA ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALPAMAHA LUNGA POINT THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKJMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOCAMI HAGURO MYOKC AOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALIEGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4) KINU KOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (Poss. sunk)	6 (6) SAKAWA CYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISU
<u>CLF</u>	-	-	-	KASHEI	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTRO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 150			25	25 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
		?		?	2(1 repairing)

* Non-effective
Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES- INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>			<u>Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-	(4) HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-	-
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6) BATTLESTAR UNICORN SHAH	EMERALD BEGUM AMBER	-
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	-	(7) ACHILLE CEYLON GAMBIA	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOENIX	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS	-	-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON	CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	-	Approx. 27	-	-
<u>SS</u> (50)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BONEFISH BOWFIN BREAM CERO COD CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDER K.14 K.14	CREVALLE FLASHER GROWLER GURNARD GUITAR GUNNEL HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PIDDLE PIRGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS ZWANGFISCH	Approx. 16
<u>AS</u> (3)	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN	EURYALE	-	10 (Poss. all German)

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MARSHALS</u>
Fighters	-	-	130	204	12
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	44	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	96	50	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	10	-
Float Planes	10	-	60	28	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	348	358	25

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY
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 Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.
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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

- Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
- 77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
- Task Groups 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
- 77.3 (Close Covering Group)
- 77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
- 77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
- 77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
- 77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Force 78 (NORTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

- Task Groups 78.1)
- 78.2) - (Attack Groups)
- 78.3)
- 78.4)
- 78.5 (Harbor Entrance Group)
- 78.6 (First Reinforcement Group)
- 78.7 (Second Reinforcement Group)

(c) Task Force 79 (SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

- Task Groups 79.1) - (Attack Groups)
- 79.2)
- 79.3) - (Transport Groups)
- 79.4)

(2) Task Force 72

On Patrol : 7 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS"
 "PERMIT" "NARWHAL"

On Passage : 6 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "CERO" "S.42"

(3) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) departed Milne 1055/16 for Hollandia ETA PM 23 Oct.

(4) "OCTORARA" (IX) departed Hollandia 1222/16 for Sydney ETA 1900/24.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

- Combat units 29 PT
- Escorts 7 : 3 PF : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE"
- 4 AMS : "COWRA" "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME"
- Auxiliaries 46 : 1 AV : "TANGIER" 2 AVP : "ORCA" "SAN PABLO"
- 1 AGP : "MOBJACK" 14 AP/AK 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD
- 2 YO 2 YOG 2 PF 1 YP : 236

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT

Auxiliaries 1 : "ELKHORN" (AOG)

Noemfoor Is:

Auxiliaries 1 : "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG)

Diak-Woendi:

Combat units 44 PT
 Escorts 3 : "KATOOMB A" "LITHGOW" (AMS) "BURDEKIN" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 18 : "CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP)
 "KURUMB A" "VICTORIA" (AO) "RIO GRANLE" (AOG) "ARAYAT" (IX)
 "VIREO" (ATF) "LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YN) "REMUS" (ARL)
 2 YP: 237, 278 1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 3 : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GLENELG" "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP : 283

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units 9 DD : "EDWARDS" "FLUSSER" "SHAW" "DRAYTON" "LAMSON" "SMITH" "MAHAN"
 "REID" "CONYGHAM"
 Escorts 30 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 3 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "DELOR AINE"
 "LATROPE"
 8 PF : "OGDEN" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "ORANGE" "EUGENE"
 "HUTCHINSON" "LONG BEACH"
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 4 SC : 698, 703, 743, 745
 8 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 313, 334, 384
 Auxiliaries 42 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "BISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON"
 (AVP) "DIPEDA" (AKA) "SAKATONCHEE" "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "DOBBIN"
 (AD) "MURZIM" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "DERICK" (YO)
 "CHETCO" "HIDATSU" "SHANNLE" (AT) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "MIDAS"
 (AR) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF) "CABLE" (ARS)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "BENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (AS) "MERCY" (AH)
 "ARETHUSA" (IX) "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ISR) "STAG" (AV) 2 YFD
 1 ATR: 31 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25
 2 ARD: 7, 12 4 YP : 216, 240, 291, 292

Ade:

Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132

Admiralties:

Combat units 1 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY"
 6 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"
 1 ODL : "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 4 PT
 Escorts 19 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEELE" "PARKES"
 1 PF : "HAWKESBURY" 2 SC : 747, 982 1 ML : 827
 2 PC : 500, 1124 6 YMS: 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393
 Auxiliaries 47 : "CALIENTE" "TRINITY" "ESCAMBIA" "CI KASKIA" (AO) "JASON" (ARH)
 "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE"
 (AM) "ARCTIC" (AF) "ALBASTER" (PYC) "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA)
 "MOUN. MCKINLEY" (AGC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (AN)
 "NAOS" "CRUX" "ARILED" "ZAUACK" "CETUS" "LYRA" "HYPERION"
 "MINTAKA" "SIGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES" "SHANLA" (AK) "CEBU"
 (ARG) "LAURABADA" (AG) "ANDREW DONIA" "ARMADILLO" "LEOPARD"
 "PROCUFINE" "ARENDA" (IX) "DUNTRON" (AP) "RAIL" "TERN" "TANAB A"
 (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIELMONT" (AD) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC)
 "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 5 AMS: "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GELLONG" "ARARAT"
 Auxiliaries 6 : "KOOP A" (AG) "BINGER A" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" "TANCRED"
 (AT) 1 YP : 504

Lengemak:

Combat units 1 CVE : "ATTU"
 Escorts 13 : 1 PF : "VAN BUREN" 1 YMS: 46 4 PC : 218, 585, 1121, 1591
 7 SC : 659, 734, 738, 739, 748, 750, 981
 Auxiliaries 11 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALEBONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "MINDANAO" (ARG)
 "TASMAN" (AH) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "SAFINLEAF" (YN) 1 AFD: 10

Milne Bay:

Escorts 8 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 1 YMS: 315 1 PC : 479 1 ML : 806
 4 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274
 Auxiliaries 8 : "GANYMED E" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) 1 ARD: 9
 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 801, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

(1) "PY.606" escorting 2 LCI departed Guadalcanal 0700/20 for Green Is ETA 0800/22.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "STALTFELL" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 1 YMS : 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP : "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS : 95
 Auxiliaries 5 : 3 YP : 348, 515, 520 "ALKAIL" (AK) "CAP DES PALMES" (AG)

Porokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1180, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 1 : "ALBERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGM
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS : 47 1 YP : 348
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269

Munda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

- (1) "PC.1131" departed Caloundra 1500/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/24.
- (2) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Aitape.
- (3) "GYMPIE" (AMS) with APC 6 departed Cairns 1500/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/22.
- (4) "MEMKUR" (AF) departed Brisbane 1005/18 for Milne Bay ETA 0901/23.
- (5) "MAETSUYCKEL" (AH) departed Sydney 1550/17 for Hollandia ETA PM 24 Oct.
- (6) "WILCANNIA" (A/S) departed Sydney 1135/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0700/27.
- (7) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (8) "CALAMATES" (AF) was to depart Caloundra 1300/17 for Hollandia ETA 0800/24.
- (9) "PONTUS" (AGP) was to depart Caloundra 1800/17 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/24.
- (10) "BANGALOW" "ML.303" departed Port Moresby 0930/18: "BANGALOW" for Townsville, "ML.303" for Cairns, ETA both ports AM 23 Oct.
- (11) "CHIPPEWA" (AT) departed Oro Bay 2330/12 for Newcastle ETA AM 21 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Brauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMEROE" "MEIDARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS : "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 9 : 3 AMS : "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC : 699
 5 ML : 426, 428, 431, 816, 818
 Auxiliaries 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 2 APA : "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" "GLENEARIN"
 1 AFD : 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 1 : "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "DASHAN" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS : "STAVELL" "WHYALLA" 3 HMML : 1129, 1324, 1329
 1 A/S : "KYDRA" 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 9 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET (IX)" "WRIGHT (AV)" "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "MONTEREY" (AP) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA)

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROOP"
 1 OCL : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 11 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 1 AMS : "KAPUNDA" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AK) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
 "GOLLSTAR" (AG) "LUNGREE" (CM) "EVANGELINE" (XAC)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMDA" (A/S) "DALLARA" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AK)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS : "LUNGBERG" "ATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA:(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 22 SS : "ANGLER" "LATFISH" "ELGALL" "DOWFIN" "DREAM" "BLUEGILL" "COD"
 "DORNFISH" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAFON" "MINGO"
 "RAY" "PORPOISE" "ROCK" "GUITAR" "RETON" "STORM" "STOIC"
 "TANTIVY" "ZWAARFISCH"
 On Passage 16 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "LINGO" "DABBERO" "RELFIN" "SIGMA" "K.15"
 "CAVALERA" "SPITEFUL" "STUBLY" "BAYA" "DECUNA" "HAWKILL" "HOE"
 "SEA TIGER" "TANTALUS"

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 9 : 5 AMS : "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM" "TREMANTLE"
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907

Millers Point:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (AS) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 DL : "NEPAL" "NAPIEN"
 11 SS : "GREVILLE" "CROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADDO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
 "MUSKELLUNCE" P.318 "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 10 AMS : "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILLUNA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
 "INVERELL" "DUNDURY" "PACKES" "WARRNAMBOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS : 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EQUYALE" "MAILSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 ARD : 10 1 YP : 286

(*) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

1. PHILIPPINES

(1) Luzon - Details concerning strikes by our Carrier-borne aircraft on Luzon 18 and 19 Oct. show the following results:-

Shipping:

Manila Bay Area:-

Sunk (7 ships): 3 tankers.
4 medium cargo vessels.

Seriously damaged
by bombs (5 ships): 5 cargo vessels (1 large 2 medium 2 small).
Hit by torpedo (5 ships): 1 tanker (medium).
3 transports (2 large 1 medium).
1 cargo vessel.

Damaged by near misses: 1 tanker.
6 cargo vessels (1 large 2 medium 3 small).

A floating dry dock was thought destroyed during the attack 18 Oct. but was still afloat 19 Oct.

N. Coast Luzon:-

Sunk (4 ships): 2 medium transports.
1 large freighter transport.
1 sub-chaser.

Probably sunk
(small craft): 1 landing craft.
3 luggers or coasters.

Damaged
(9 ships plus small
craft): 1 destroyer escort.
2 large transports (left burning).
5 cargo vessels (2 medium 3 small).
1 small tanker (left burning).
45 coasters, landing craft and other small type ships.

Aircraft:-

In combat over targets: 32 shot down.
3 probably shot down.
3 damaged.

On ground - at least: 54 destroyed.
24 damaged.

Airdromes covered by the strikes include Clark Field, Nichols Field, Mabalacat, Legaspi, Iaoag and Appirri airdromes.

Interception was encountered over the targets 18 Oct. and A.M. 19 Oct. but none was met P.M. 19 Oct.

Our losses during the two days operations involving 3 Task Groups are reported as 6 aircraft in combat and 11 operationally; several pilots and crews were rescued.

Note: The above results include those results of operations 18 Oct. over N. Luzon reported in Summary No. 995. The results from one Task Group for 19 Oct. are still to be received.

At 0700/18 Oct. an enemy convoy comprising 10 large merchant ships, 3 destroyer escorts and 1 "Q" ship was attacked by U. S. Submarines off Manila Bay resulting in the sinking 7 cargo vessels and 1 destroyer escort while torpedo hits were also scored on 2 other cargo vessels. At 0400/19 Oct. the remnants of the convoy were heading S. towards N. entrance of Palawan Passage.

(2) Visayan Area - On 19 Oct. 5 small sea trucks were observed in Visayan Sea off Panay.

An enemy floatplane on the water off Destacado Is. (N. Samar Sea) was destroyed by a reconnaissance Liberator 19 Oct.

Also during 19 Oct. Cebu airstrip was strafed during a sweep by 13 Thunderbolts damaging aircraft in revetments: small type shipping off-shore was also attacked and one sea truck 2 luggers were set on fire off Mactan Is. Intense AA fire from Cebu shot down 3 Thunderbolts.

(3) Leyte - Allied forces landed in strength on several beaches on E. coast Leyte Is. namely in the vicinity of Dulag and Tacloban A.M. 20 Oct. The landing was preceded by naval bombardment involving battleships and cruisers: air cover was given by fighters from escort carriers and the operation was supported by strong forces of 3rd Fleet Task groups. Preliminary reports indicate that all landings were made on schedule with extremely light losses and that the operation is proceeding splendidly in every respect.

(1) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (3) Leyte (Contd.) - During the early landing operations only 4 enemy aircraft were reported in the area and no attack was pressed home until 1620/20 Oct. at which time probably a single enemy aircraft torpedoed 1 of our ships. Probably later another ship was hit by a light bomb. Enemy mortar fire was encountered on the beaches causing some damage to LSTs and landing craft, but casualties appear to be light.
- Prior to the landing minesweeping operations and demolition of beach defenses were carried out with only slight interference from the enemy as previously reported.
- On 19 Oct. 2 Jap dive bombers attacked our shipping near Homonhon Is. without effect and another attempted a suicide dive on a cruiser but the plane disintegrated in mid-air causing no damage to the ship. 2 Jap PT boats were seen by our destroyers evening 19 Oct. and torpedo wakes were seen: no hits were suffered but the PT boats escaped.
- (4) Mindanao - Photos 15 and 16 Oct. of 7 Mindanao airdromes show no change generally in the situation: all fields remain serviceable except Darong but very few aircraft are present.
- At 1000/20 Oct. 6 small ships were observed heading S.W. along N.W. coast Mindanao off Sindangan Bay.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - 1 enemy aircraft approached Morotai, evening 18 Oct., but no attack was carried out.
- (2) Halmahera - At 2340/19 Oct. a submarine was sighted by PT boats near Ternate. Photos 19 Oct. show Galela, Kau, Hatetabako and Djailolo airdromes all unserviceable.
- (3) N. Celebes - Photos 19 Oct. show Sidate and Tanamon airdromes serviceable but Langoan remains unserviceable.
- (4) S. Celebes - Aircraft reports 19 Oct. continued to report considerable barge and small craft activity in the Boctoeng Passage area and also in the Salaiar Is. area. Photos of the convoy seen S.E. of Boctoeng Is. at 1245/19 Oct. (refer Summary No. 996) show that units involved were 2 sub-chasers and a 1,000 ton freighter transport.
- Photos of shipping in Pare Pare Bay at 1125/19 Oct. show 6 small merchant vessels totalling 2,500 tons and numerous small craft present.
- On 19 Oct. small type shipping in the Bone Gulf area (probably off Pomelaa), 3-300 ton freighters and 9 nickel laden schooners were sunk by an R.N. submarine.
- (5) E. Borneo - Photos 16 Oct. of Manggar airdromes show 46 fighters and 8 medium bombers present there.
- (6) Timor - A.M. 20 Oct. road targets in the N.E. end of Timor were attacked during a sweep by 6 Beaufighters: 1 large fuel truck was destroyed near Cape Lore.
- (7) Ambon-Kai Area - During 19 Oct. Ambon town was bombed by 17 Mitchells and 16 Thunderbolts. Boela oil installations were attacked by 36 Bostons and 1 Mitchell.
- At 0940/19 Oct. Letfoer Strip on Kai Is. was bombed by 6 Bostons.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) N.W. New Guinea - On 18 Oct. Timoeika strip was bombed by 16 Thunderbolts and on 19 Oct. Utarom strip was bombed by 18 Bostons.
- 19 Oct. neutralizing raids were conducted on Babo, Utarom and Sagan airdromes by Kittyhawks and Bostons.
- (2) Wewak - Brandi Plantation was attacked A.M. 20 Oct. by 5 Bostons.
4. BISMARCKS-SOLOMONS - Night 18 Oct. Rabaul was harassed by 1 Mitchell. On 19 Oct. enemy concentrations in Open Bay were attacked by 34 Dauntless, 6 Mitchells, 11 Corsairs and the Rataval supply area was bombed by 18 Dauntless, 22 Corsairs. In addition 19 Oct. normal offensive patrols were conducted over Gazelle Peninsula, New Ireland and the Buka area involving 2 Venturas, 19 Mitchells, 51 Corsairs.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. CAROLINES - A delayed report indicates that Ngulu Atol (approx. 75 miles S. of Yap and midway between Ulithi and Palau) was occupied by our forces against slight enemy opposition.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Successful Blue landings E. coast Leyte Is., Philippine Is. with meager enemy counter-measures.
- (2) Continued Blue aircraft carrier operations Philippines area.
- (3) Strong BB/CA force in N. Borneo-Malaya area.
- (4) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

Distribution: G-3 (Navy) (2) C in C EF (1)
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>				<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>		
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern section)				(Incl. Mandates)		
<u>F</u>	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA	-	
<u>CVE</u>	(24)	CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY	SANTEE SUNANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATTU	WHITE PLAINS SIGINT BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SANO ISLAND NITOMI BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMINEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	
<u>GA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE PORTLAND	
<u>CL</u>	(9)	BOISE # HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	MEMPHIS ADLAIDE	PHOENIX TROMP COLUMBIA	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK	-	
<u>F</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS BELKNAP	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNG A JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T. BAEDER HARRISON HALL THATCHER SHAW MAHAN	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LING MACKEE MORRIS MULLINY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHWELER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON BRAYTON REID	RUSSEL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON RENEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZ BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MCDONOUGH HARDEN CALDWELL LAWSON	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER PENNION GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY MULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURN THOMAS HOEL EVANS TWIGGS COGHLIN SMITH	M.W. COLE R.P. LEARY H.L. EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W. GRANT DAVID W. TAYLOR CAPPS STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHENWOOD FLAGGER CONYNGHAM
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BISHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA NEUTRAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPOON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12	10
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u>	(71)	WARD (APD)	EMPIRE BATTLEAXE (APA)	ALPINE (APA)	-
<u>ARA</u>		SCHLEY	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	HEYWOOD	
		HERBERT	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	LEO OLYMEN	
		CROSBY	LEON	PRES. HAYES	
		KILTY	SUMTER	CLAY	
		SANDS	PIERCE	A.T. MIDDLETON	
		MANLEY	JAMES O'HARA	BAXTER	
		TALBOT	WAYNE	CAMBRIA	
		KANE	FULLER	MONROVIA	
		BROOKS	HARRIS	F. FUNSTON	
		OVERTON	FREMONT	W.P. BIDDLE	
		HUMPHREYS	BARNSTABLE	BOLIVAR	
		KANIMBLA (APA)	LEONARD WOOD	SHERIDAN	
		CALLAWAY	CLEMSON	DOYEN	
		WESTRALIA	GLENEARN	AQUARIUS (AKA)	
		MANOORA	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA	
		PAYETTE	CAVALIER	THUGAN	
		LEEDSTOWN	J.F. BELL	O'HARA	
		ORMSY	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN	
		WINDSOR	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS	
		H. T. ALLEN	KNOX	ALYCON	
		CRESCENT CITY	CALVERT	ALMAACK	
		WARREN	CLUSTER	DIPHDA	
		ELMORE	LAMAR		
<u>AGC</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT	-
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN		
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND	ORION	
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBS	SIERRA	WHITNEY	
		PIEDMONT			
<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)			
		PLATYPUS			
		BRIAREUS			
		MEDUSA			
		MIDAS (ARB)			
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)			
		OGLALA			
		MINDANAO			
		CEBU			
		JASON (ARH)			
		REMUS (ARL)			
		ACHILLES			
		AMYCUS			
		VENT (ARS)			
		CABLE			
		PRESEVER			
<u>LSD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL		
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH		
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD		
		ASHLAND	BELLE GROVE		
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific area)

	# ALLIED FORCES		Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire	
<u>BB</u>	(14) IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUJIO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	(2) ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12) SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA	-	(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY	-	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CA</u>	(25) BARNES BRETON BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY CAPE ESPERANCE COPAHBE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDORA	HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM NOI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SERGEANT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAU ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMAHA LUNGA POINT THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO AFAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBAMA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u>	-	-	-	-	6
<u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALEIGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANLER	(4) KINU NOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk)	(6) SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLER CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DL</u>	Approx. 150	-	-	25	25 (several re pairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150	-	-	10	Approx. 50
<u>ES</u>	-	?	-	?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective.

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES- INDIAN OCEAN

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<u>Southwest Pacific</u>			<u>Indian Ocean</u>																																					
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<u>BB</u>	-	(4) HOWE RENOUN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-	-																																				
	-	(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-	-																																				
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6) BATTLE UNICORN SHAH	AFELING BEGUM AMEER	-																																				
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	-																																				
<u>CL</u>	-	(7) ACHILLE GUYLON GABIA	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOENIX	-																																				
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	SIBACROSS	-	-																																				
<u>DL</u>	-	(2) CANTON	CHITRAL	-																																				
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ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	130	204	12
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	44	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	96	50	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	10	-
Pat Planes	10	-	60	28	6
Trn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	348	358	25

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY
Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.
Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.
No.998 Date 22 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - DISMARCHES

(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

- Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
- 77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
- Task Groups 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
- 77.3 (Close covering Group)
- 77.4 (Escort-Carrier Group)
- 77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
- 77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
- 77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Force 78 (NORTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

- Task Groups 78.1)
- 78.2) - (Attack Groups)
- 78.3)
- 78.4)
- 78.5 (Harbor Entrance Group)
- 78.6 (First Reinforcement Group)
- 78.7 (Second Reinforcement Group)

(c) Task Force 79 (SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

- Task Groups 79.1) - (Attack Groups)
- 79.2)
- 79.3) - (Transport Groups)
- 79.4)

(2) Task Force 72

On Patrol : 7 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS"
"PERMIT" "NARWHAL"

On Passage : 6 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "CERO" "S.42"

- (3) "THETIS BAY" (CVE) proceeding from Central Pacific area to Manus Is ETA 23 Oct.
- (4) "CAPE ESPERANCE" (CVE) proceeding from Central Pacific area to Manus Is ETA 24 Oct.
- (5) "YMS.313,315" were to depart Hollandia 1200/19 for Manus due 0900/21.
- (6) "SC.738,748" departed Langemak 1430/20 for Hollandia ETA 0700/23.
- (7) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) departed Milne 1055/16 for Hollandia ETA 4 PM 23 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT
Escorts 7 : 3 PF : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE"
4 AMS : "COWRA" "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME"
Auxiliaries 46 : 1 AV : "TANGIER" 2 AVP : "ORCA" "SAN PABLO"
1 ACP : "MOBJACK" 14 AP/AK 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD
2 YO 2 YOG 2 PF 1 YP : 236

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)SECRET

Noemfoor:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG)

Riak-Woendi:
 Combat units 1 SS : "RAY"
 44 PT

Escorts 4 : "KATOOMB A" "LITHGOW" (AMS) "BURDEKIN" "MACHIAS" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 21 : "CURRITUCK" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "FORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP)
 "KURUMB A" "VICTORIA" (AO) "RIO GRANDE" "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE"
 (AOG) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "LARK" (AM) "TEABERRY" (YN)
 "REMUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF) 2 YP: 237, 278 1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:
 Escorts 3 : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GLENELG" "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS)

Heldt Bay:
 Combat units 9 DD : "EDWARDS" "FLUSSEL" "SHAW" "DRAYTON" "LAMSON" "SMITH" "MAHAN"
 "REID" "CONYGHAM"

Escorts 26 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 3 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "DELORAINÉ"
 "LATROBE"
 5 PF : "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "DELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "LONGBEACH"
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 4 SC : 698, 703, 743, 745
 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384

Auxiliaries 40 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "LISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON"
 (AVP) "DIPHA" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "DOBE IN" (AD) "MIDAS"
 (AR) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "DERRICK" (YO) "CHETCO" "HIDATSU"
 "SHAWNEE" (AT) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS"
 (ARL) "CABLE" (ARS) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "DENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS"
 (AS) "ARETHUSA" "WILLALOBOS" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "STAG" (AW)
 "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ASR) 2 YFD 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12
 4 APD: 11, 16, 24, 25 5 YP : 216, 240, 283, 291, 292

Appe:
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132

Admiralties:
 Combat units 1 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY"
 6 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"
 1 ODL : "VENETTA"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 4 PT

Escorts 19 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CADANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES"
 1 PF : "HAWKESBURY" 2 SC : 747, 982 1 ML : 827
 2 PC : 500, 1124 6 YMS: 9, 10, 48, 97, 316, 393

Auxiliaries 49 : "CALIENTE" "TRINITY" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JASON" (ARH)
 "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE"
 (AM) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA) "PATHFINDER"
 (AGS) "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "NAOS" "CRUX"
 "ARIDED" "CETUS" "LYRA" "MINYAKA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS"
 "BOOTES" "SHAULA" (AK) "CEBU" (ARG) "LAUREADA" (AG) "LEOPARD"
 "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMADILLO" "PORCUPINE" "ARENDAL" (IX) "RAIL"
 "TERN" "TAWADA" (AT) "DUNTRON" (AP) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA"
 "PIEDMONT" (AD) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 2 ABSD
 2 ARD: 19, 20 1 AFD: 8 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:
 Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 5 AMS: "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GEELONG" "ARARAT"

Auxiliaries 6 : "KOOPA" (AG) "BINGERA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" "TANGHEL"
 (AT) 1 YP : 504

Langenk:
 Combat units 1 CVE : "ATTU"
 Escorts 11 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 1 YMS: 46 4 PC : 218, 585, 1121, 1591
 5 SC : 659, 734, 739, 750, 981

Auxiliaries 10 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "MINDANAO" (ARG)
 "TASMAN" (AH) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) 1 AFD: 10

Milne Bay:
 Escorts 7 : 1 AMS: "GYMFIE" 1 PC : 479 1 ML: 806
 4 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274

Auxiliaries 9 : "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM)
 "GEN. H.L. SCOTT" (AP) 1 ARD: 9 2 YP: 233, 449
 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 801, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

- (1) "CACAFON" "NESHANIC" (AD) were to depart Guadalcanal 21 Oct for Manus.
- (2) "YMS.329,481" escorting "KINGFISHER" (AF) towing "YF.624" departed Tulagi 1400/19 for Finschhafen ETA 0600/24.
- (3) "YP.515" was to depart Russell's 1800/21 for Torokina ETA 0700/23.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 1 YMS : 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YT : 514 1 AGP : "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 3 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS : 95 1 PC : 606
 Auxiliaries 4 : 2 YP : 348, 520 "ALKAID" (AK) "CAP DES PALMES" (AG)

Torokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 1 : "ALDERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGM
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS : 47 1 YP : 348
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269

Munda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

- (1) "PC.1131" departed Caloundra 1500/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/24.
- (2) "YUNNAN" (AE) departed Caloundra 1400/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/27.
- (3) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Aitape.
- (4) "MERKUR" (AF) departed Brisbane 1005/18 for Milne Bay ETA 0901/23.
- (5) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) departed Sydney 1550/17 for Hollandia ETA PM 24 Oct.
- (6) "WILCANNIA" (4/S) departed Sydney 1135/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0700/27.
- (7) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (8) "CALAMARES" (AF) was to depart Caloundra 1300/17 for Hollandia ETA 0800/24.
- (9) "PONTUS" (AGP) was to depart Caloundra 1800/17 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/24.
- (10) "OCTORARA" (IX) departed Hollandia 1222/16 for Sydney ETA 1900/24.
- (11) "D'ANGALOW" "ML.803" departed Port Moresby 0930/18: "D'ANGALOW" for Townsville, "ML.803" for Cairns, ETA both ports AM 23 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMEROE" "MERCAROE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS : "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 9 : 3 AMS : "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC : 699
 5 ML : 426, 428, 431, 816, 818
 Auxiliaries 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) 2 APA : "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" "GLENEAGAN"
 1 AFD : 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 1 : "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)SECRETBrisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONAENOCK"
 4 SS : "GUAVINA" "DASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS: "STAVELL" "WHYALLA" 3 HM: 1129, 1324, 1329
 1 A/S: "KYBRA" 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONLOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
 "MONTEREY" (AT) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA)
 1 YP : 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HODART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 OLL : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 11 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 PS : "SWAN"
 1 AMS: "KAFUNDA" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 Auxiliaries 8 : "RIGEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT)
 "MANUNDA" (AH) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "DUNGARKE" (CM) "EVANGELINE"
 (XAPC)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "DUNDEBERG" "DATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

Task Force 71

On Patrol 20 SS : "ANGLER" "DATTISH" "DELGALL" "DOWFIN" "DREAM" "BLUEGILL" "COL"
 "COBIA" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "MINGO" "ROCK"
 "PORPOISE" "GUITARRO" "RATON" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY"
 On Passage 17 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "FARGO" "DARBERO" "REDFIN" "SIRDAR" "K.15"
 "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "BAYA" "DECUNA" "HAWKBILL" "HOE"
 "SEA ROVER" "TANTALUS" "ZWAARDFISCH"

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 9 : 5 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM" "FREMANTLE"
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

"CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 DD : "NEPAL" "NAPIER"
 11 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HABDO" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
 "MUSKELLUNGE" P.318 "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE IRAZZA"
 10 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "IPSWICH"
 "INVERELL" "DUNEURY" "PARKES" "WARRNAMCOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 AD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Luzon - Early 21 Oct. aircraft searching the S. China Sea W. of Luzon saw groups of ships and a few individual ships at sea but details as to type and movements are lacking: the largest group of ships reported numbered 7 in a position approx. 100 miles N.W. of Lingayan Gulf.
- (2) Mindoro - On 20 Oct. 2 Liberators on reconnaissance over Mindoro were intercepted by enemy fighters of which 3 were shot down.
At 1300/21 Oct. 2 probable escort vessels, described as "Yubari" class light cruisers, were observed approaching Verde Is. Passage from the direction of Manila Bay.
- (3) San Bernardino Strait - On 20 Oct. an enemy patrol bomber was shot down by a Liberator over the Northern approach to San Bernardino Strait.
- (4) Leyte Is. The beach heads established in the vicinity of Tacloban and Dulag on 20 Oct. were quickly extended and by 1500/20 Oct. considerable advances had been made. In the Dulag sector our forces had reached Eastern end of Dulag airdrome having taken Dulag town. Press reports state that Tacloban town was also captured but this is not yet confirmed. Another landing was accomplished 20 Oct. on Panaon Is. (off Southern tip Leyte Is.) without enemy opposition. Enemy opposition reported to date concerns a counter attack on 1 of the beachheads at 1300/20 Oct. by a comparatively small party of enemy numbering about 200; the counter-attack was repulsed.
- (5) Visayan Area-On 18 and 19 Oct. carrier-based aircraft from 7th Fleet attacked targets in the Visayas including airfields and shipping and also shipping off E. coast Cebu. Results are summarized hereunder:-

Shipping (E. coast Cebu and in Visayan Sea):

Sunk:
1 tanker (5,000 tons).
1 small merchant vessel.
4 PT boats.
1 sub-chaser.
2 oil barges or sampans.
8 barges.

Damaged:
1 tanker (5,000 tons).
1 ammunition ship (5,000 tons).
10 freighters (4 large 2 medium 4 small).
1 minesweeper.
numerous barges, luggers and small craft.

Aircraft:
2 shot down in combat.
52 destroyed on ground.
28 damaged on ground.

In addition numerous ammunition dumps and buildings were set on fire.

On 20 Oct. carrier-based aircraft from 3rd Fleet Task Group, attacked Dulag and San Pablo airdromes on E. coast Leyte Is. and also airdromes on Cebu; in direct support of our landings that date on Leyte Is. In total 1 enemy plane was shot down and 5 damaged on the ground. A few enemy aircraft were observed on Cebu Is. airfields all believed unserviceable. AA shot down 1 of our fighters.

On 21 Oct. carrier-based aircraft of two 3rd Fleet Task Groups attacked targets in S. Luzon, Coron Bay and Visayas: 13 enemy aircraft were shot down and 37 destroyed on the ground during the days operations. The only shipping found at Coron Bay involved 1 cargo vessel (previously damaged), 1 small coaster and 1 escort vessel: all these were sunk. In addition 3 PT boats were sunk at Batangas (S.W. Luzon) and 1 PT boat was sunk at Cebu; ammunition barges were destroyed at Masbate and 2 medium cargo vessel, 2 luggers were damaged in the general area covered by the strike. Our losses totalled 3 aircraft.

On 20 Oct. fuel dumps at Durguete Pt. (Negros Is.) were attacked by 12 Mitchells and set on fire, on the same day Bacalod airdrome was strafed during a sweep by 14 Thunderbolts. On 21 Oct. during a shipping sweep off E. coast Cebu by 6 Mitchells 3 sea trucks were sunk 4 probably sunk and 2 set on fire.

P.M. 20 Oct. 1 large ship described as a whaling factory type ship and 1 small freighter were observed off N.E. tip Panay Is. At 0700/21 Oct. 1 small tanker, 1 small merchant ship and 2 auxiliaries were observed anchored in the same vicinity.

- (6) Palawan Night 19-20 Oct. the wharves at Puerto Pincessa were bombed by a Catalina.
At 1345/20 Oct. a reconnaissance liberator sighted 2 destroyers off Shirt Pt. (Central W. coast) course E. or N.E. possibly the same ships which were sighted earlier, described as 1 destroyer, 1 freighter off Southern tip Palawan. 1 enemy patrol bomber was shot down 20 Oct. over Palawan by a Liberator.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (6) Palawan (Contd.) - A.M. 21 Oct. a convoy comprising 9 medium merchant ships, 1 sea truck and 6 escorts of which 5 are described as destroyers were sighted off Bold Pt. (Central S.E. coast) course 230° probably making for Puerto Princesa Bay.
- (7) Mindanao - On 19 Oct. Malabang airdrome (N.E. shores Moro Gulf) was attacked by 12 Mitchells. On 20 Oct. enemy headquarters and installations at Davao were bombed by 43 Liberators and in addition Lightnings and Thunderbolts swept Central Mindanao attacking road targets.
- On 21 Oct. Caganan town was bombed by 41 Liberators encountering neither AA nor interception, Misamis barracks on N.W. coast were bombed by 6 Mitchells and road targets in Central Mindanao including a truck convoy of 30 vehicles were attacked by 14 Lightnings.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) China Sea - At 0200/22 Oct. 3 large ships, estimated to be cruisers, were contacted by a U. S. Submarine 90 miles W. of Balabac Strait course 20°.
- (2) Halmahera - Night 19-20 Oct. a barge, beached off N.E. approaches Kau Bay, was destroyed by PT boats. On 20 Oct. gun positions on Islands in Galela Bay were attacked by PT boats cooperating with 2 Kittyhawks.
- On 20 Oct. Sweeps of the General Kau Bay area were conducted by Kittyhawks, Lightnings and Mitchells.
- (3) Makassar Strait - On 19 Oct. a sea truck in Makassar Strait was attacked by a reconnaissance Liberator and hit. At 1030/21 Oct. a medium sized merchant ship with 1 destroyer was attacked by a Liberator off Tarakan on course 80°.
- A preliminary report from aircraft in flight indicates sighting at 1115/21 Oct. of a group of ships described as 1 battleship, 3 light cruisers, 3 destroyers and 6 unidentified ships, 60 miles E.N.E. of Tarakan on course 170°: the composition of the convoy as reported is considered doubtful.
- (4) Balikpapan - Night 19-20 Oct. Balikpapan was bombed by a Liberator starting large fires 4 enemy air-borne aircraft were located but no interception was attempted.
- (5) N.W. Celebes - At 1115/21 Oct. a jetty and warehouses at Pare Pare were bombed by 17 Liberators. 2 possible small merchant ships and some small craft were observed in Pare Pare Bay: 1 sea truck received a direct hit. There was no interception.
- (6) Ambon Area - Neutralizing raids were carried out 20 Oct. on Ambon area airdromes: Boela was bombed by 24 Havocs, 3 Mitchells, 9 Lightnings: Amohai by 28 Thunderbolts: Kairatoo by 14 Thunderbolts and Old Namlea by 11 Lightnings. In addition Ambon town was attacked by 22 Mitchells of which 1 was lost to AA fire.
- Photos 20 Oct. show Kairatoo, Laha and Amohai airdromes all serviceable (presumably prior the strikes that day): Boela and Liang were unserviceable.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) N.W. New Guinea - Possible staging airdromes were again attacked 20 Oct: Babo was bombed by 24 Bostons 2 Mitchells, 16 Thunderbolts, Mangosa by 16 Thunderbolts and Moemi-Waren strips by 12 Havocs. Sweeps were also conducted on N.W. New Guinea coastline by small flights of Kittyhawks.
- (2) Wewak - On 21 Oct, personnel and storage areas around Wewak were bombed by 6 Liberators 12 Bostons and 6 Beauforts.
4. BISMARCK-SOLOMONS - Night 19-20 Oct. Panapai was bombed by 2 Mitchells. On 20 Oct. offensive patrols only were conducted over S. Bougainville and New Ireland by Dauntless, corsairs and Venturas in addition to an attack on Ballale gun positions by 2 Drones.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. FORMOSA STRAIT - At 1530/21 Oct. a convoy described as 1 carrier, 3 heavy cruisers, 4 destroyers was observed by aircraft 100 miles W.S.W. of Pescadores course 45°.
- At 0035/22 Oct. 1 aircraft carrier with 4 unidentified type warships was attacked by U. S. Submarine 130 miles S.W. of Pescadores. No course was reported. 2 hits possibly on the aircraft carrier were claimed.
2. NAMPO SHOTO - On 19 Oct. a reconnaissance Liberator was intercepted by 2 enemy fighters off Kito Iwo Jima without effect.
3. CHINA COAST - Photographs of the Hong Kong area 19 Oct. show 12 naval craft and 43 merchant ships totalling 133,700 tons in Hong Kong Harbor, excluding the 7 ships in dry dock.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Satisfactory progress Leyte Island operation with meager enemy opposition.
- (2) Continued Blue aircraft carrier offensive N. and Central Philippines coordinated with SWPA land based aircraft strikes S. Philippines.
- (3) Possibly significant enemy shipping sightings S. China Sea - Formosa Strait area.
- (4) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

BB	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
CVE	(21)	CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY CAPE ESPERANCE	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATTU	WHITE PLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMANEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	-	
CA	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	PORTLAND -	
CL	(9)	BOISE #HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	NASHVILLE ADELAIDE	PHOENIX TROMP	COLUMBIA -	
AV	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK		-	
AVP	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS	BELKNAP -	
DD	(107)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T.BADGER HARRISON HALL THATCHER SHAW MAHAN	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MACKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON DRAYTON REID	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN CALDWELL LAMSON	HAGGARD FRANKS HALLEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER PENNINGTON GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS COGHLAN SMITH	NEWCOMB R.P.LEARY H.L.EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W.GRANT DAVID W.TAYLOR CAPES STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD FLUSSER CONYNGHAM	-
SS	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA NARWHAL NAUTTIDS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12	10	

PT. Approx. 175

* Excluding Cenpac Forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u> <u>AKA</u>	(71)	WARD (APD)	EMPIRE DATTLEAXE (APA)	ALPINE (APA)
		SCHLEY	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	HEYWOOD
		HERBERT	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	LEO OLYMPIEN
		CROSBY	LEON	PRES. HAYNES
		KILBY	SUMNER	CLAY
		SANDS	FIERCE	A.T. MIDDLETON
		MANLEY	JAMES O'HARA	BAXTER
		TALBOT	WAYNE	GABRIEL
		KANE	FULLER	MONROVIA
		BROOKS	HARRIS	F. FUNSTON
		OVERTON	FREMONT	W.P. FIDDLE
		HUMPHREYS	BARNSTABLE	BOLIVAR
		KANIMBLA (APL)	LEONARD WOOD	SHERIDAN
		CALLAWAY	CLENSON	DOYEN
		WESTRALIA	CLEMEN	AQUARIUS (AKA)
		MANOORA	LOCHLAN	ELECTRA
		FLAETTE	CAVALIER	THUGAN
		LEEDSTOWN	J.P. BELL	O'HARA
		ORNSY	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN
		WINDSOR	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS
		H. T. ALLEN	KNOX	ALYCON
	CRESCENT CITY	CALVERT	ALMAADK	
	WARREN	CLUSTER	DIPHA	
	ELMORE	LEMAR		
<u>JGC</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN	
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND	ORION
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOB IN	SIERRA	WHITNEY
		PIEDMONT		
<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)		
		PLATYPUS		
		BRIAREUS		
		MEDUSA		
		MIDAS (ARB)		
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)		
		OGLALA		
		MINDANAO		
		CEBU		
		JASON (ARH)		
		REMUS (ARL)		
		ACHILLES		
		AMYCUS		
		VENT (ARS)		
		CABLE		
		PRESEVER		
<u>ISD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL	
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH	
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD	
		ASHLAND	BELLE GROVE	
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE	

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific area)

	#	ALLIED FORCES		Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire	
<u>BB</u>	(14)	IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	-	(2) ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12)	SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX DUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA	-	(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9)	CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY	-	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(24)	BARNES BRETON BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY COPAHUE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDORA	HOLLANDIA MUNDA NESSAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAU ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMAHA LUNGA POINT THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8)	BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>OCA</u>	-	-	-	-	-	6
<u>CL</u>	(19)	BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALEIGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANLER	(4) KINU NOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk)	(6) SAKAWA OYOLO ISUZU IBUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>CLT</u> <u>AV/CVS</u>	(4)	BALLARD CHANDOLEUR Approx. 150 Approx. 150	CURTISS ?	POCOMOKE	KASHII - 25 10 ?	(2) KASHIMA ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO 25 (several re- pairing) Approx. 50 2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective.

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>			<u>Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-	(4) HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-	-
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6) BATTLEER ATHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	-	-
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND SUFFOLD LONDON	-	-
<u>CL</u>	-	(7) ACHILLES KENYA CEYLON NEWCASTLE GAMBIA NIGERIA PHOEBE	-	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS	-	-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL	-	-
<u>DD</u>	-	Approx. 27	-	-
<u>SS</u> (50)	ANGLER CREVALLE BARBERU FLASHER BATFISH GROWLER BAYA GURNARD BECUNA GUITARO BERGAL GUNNEL BLUEGILL HADDO BONEFISH HAKE OCBIA HAMMERHEAD BREMM HARDHEAD CERO HAWKBILL COD HOE CLYDE SPITEFUL P.318 STOIC SEA ROVER STORM SIRDAR STURDY K.14 0.19 K.15	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS ZWAARDFISCH	Approx. 16	10 (poss. all German)
<u>AS</u> (3)	MAIDSTONE	GRIFFIN	EURYALE	

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	-	130	204	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	71	-
E Bombers	-	-	96	62	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	10	-
Float Planes	10	-	60	28	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	348	397	19

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 23 Oct 44

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - DISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
Task Groups 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
77.3 (Close Covering Group)
77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Force 78 (NORTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Groups 78.1)
78.2) - (Attack Groups)
78.3)
78.4)
78.5 (Harbor Entrance Group)
78.6 (First Reinforcement Group)
78.7 (Second Reinforcement Group)

(c) Task Force 79 (SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Groups 79.1) - (Attack Groups)
79.2)
79.3) - (Transport Groups)
79.4)

Task Force 72

On Patrol : 8 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS" "CERO"
"PERMIT" "NARWHAL"

On Passage : 4 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY"

- (3) "CAPE ESPERANCE" (CVE) proceeding from Central Pacific area to Manus Is ETA 24 Oct.
(4) "HAWKESBURY" (PF) escorting "CURRITUCK" (AV) departed Manus 1700/19 for Morotai area due 1000/23.
(5) "TRYON" "PINKNEY" (APH) departed Tulagi 0700/22 for Hollandia ETA 0700/26.
(6) "TASMAN" (AH) proceeding from Langemak to Hollandia ETA 0500/23.
(7) "BINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.
(8) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) was to depart Biak 21 Oct for Sansapor.
(9) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with 5 tows departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi.
(10) "RESERVE" (AT) towing "ETAMIN" (AK) departed Milne 1055/16 for Hollandia ETA PM 23 Oct.
(11) "AKUBENS" (AKS) proceeding to Finschhafen ETA 24 Oct.
(12) "HDML.1338" departed Langemak 0916/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/23.
(13) "TANCRED" (AT) towing "ML.817" departed Madang 1330/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/23.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT
Escorts 7

: 3 PF : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE"
4 AMS : "COWRA" "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME"

Morotai: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 32 : 1 AV : "TANGIER" 2 AVP: "ORCA" "SAN PABLO"
 1 AO : "TRINITY" 1 AGP: "MOBJACK" 14 AP/AK 2 YFD
 2 YPF 2 YPD 2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP: 236 2 PF

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT

Noemfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AOG: "SUSQUEHANNA"

Biak-Woendi:

Combat units 1 SS : "RAY"

44 PT

ports

Auxiliaries 19 : "LITHGOW" (AMS) "BURDEKIN" "MACHIAS" (PF)
 "KURUMBA" "VICTORIA" (AO) "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "LARK"
 (AM) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "TEABERRY" (YN) "REMUS" (ARL)
 "OCTANS" (AF) 2 YP : 237, 278 1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 3 : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GLENELG" "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units 9 DD : "EDWARDS" "FLUSSER" "SHAW" "DRAYTON" "LAMSON" "SMITH" "MAHAN"
 "REID" "CONYGHAM"

Escorts

27 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 2 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "DELOR AINE"
 5 PF : "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "LONG BEACH"
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 6 SC : 698, 703, 738, 743, 745, 748
 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384

Auxiliaries

39 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "BISHOPDALE" "CHEPACHET" (AO) "HERON" (AVP)
 "DIPHDA" (AKA) "SHIKELAMY" (AOG) "DOBBIN" (AD) "MIDAS" (AR)
 "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "DERRICK" (YO) "CHETCO" "HIDATSU" "SHAWNEE" (AT)
 "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "CABLE" (ARS)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "BENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (AS) "STAC" (AW)
 "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ASR)
 2 YFD 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25
 5 YP : 216, 240, 283, 291, 292

Aitape:

Escorts 2 : 1 PC : 1132 1 AMS: "KATOOMBA"

Admiralties:

Combat units 3 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY" "THETIS BAY" "ATTU"

6 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGLAN"

1 ODD : "VENDITTA"

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

4 PT

Escorts

27 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES"
 1 AMS: "ARARAT" 2 SC : 747, 982 2 PC : 500, 1124 1 ML: 827
 14 YMS: 2, 6, 9, 10, 46, 48, 53, 97, 219, 313, 315, 316, 336, 393

Auxiliaries

48 : "CALIENTE" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JASON" (ARL) "CEBU" (ARG)
 "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM)
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
 "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "TORCHWOOD" (AD) "NAOS" "CRUX" "ARIDED"
 "CETUS" "LYRA" "MINTAKA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES"
 "SHAULA" (AK) "LAURABADA" (AG) "LEOPARD" "ANDREW DORIA"
 "ARMADILLO" "PORCUPINE" "ABARENDA" (IX) "RAIL" "TERN" "TAWABAA"
 (AT) "DUNTROON" (AP) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIEDMONT" (AD)
 "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 2 ABSD 2 AFD: 19, 20
 1 AFD: 8 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"

5 AMS: "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GEELONG" "LATROBE"

Auxiliaries

4 : "KOOPA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP : 504

Langemak:

Escorts 10 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 4 PC : 218, 585, 1121, 1591

5 SC : 659, 734, 739, 750, 981

Auxiliaries

9 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "LUNA" (AKS)
 "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "MINDANAO" (ARG)
 "BULL WHEEL" (YO) 1 AFD: 10

Me Bay:

Escorts 7 : 1 AMS: "GYMIE" 1 PC : 479 1 ML : 806

4 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274

A Auxiliaries

9 : "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "MERKUR" (AF) "GEN. H. L. SCOTT"
 (AP) 1 ARD: 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 801, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

- (1) "CLAN" "LAMONT" (APA) departed Espiritu Santo 1519/21 for Milne ETA China Straits 1900/24.
- (2) "CACAPON" "NESHANIC" (AD) departed Guadalcanal 21 Oct for Manus ETA 24 Oct.
- (3) "YMS.329,481" escorting "KINGFISHER" (AF) towing "YF.624" departed Tulagi 1400/19 for Finschhafen ETA 0800/25.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 1 YMS : 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP : "JAMESTOWN" 1 AF : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 3 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS : 95 1 PC : 606
 Auxiliaries 4 : 2 YP : 348, 520 1 AK : "ALKAID" 1 AG : "CAP DES PALMES"

Torokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 2 : "ALDERAMIN" (AK) 1 YP : 515

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGM
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS : 47
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348

Unda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

- (1) "SWAN" (PS) departed Sydney 0827/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1700/26.
- (2) "PC.1131" departed Caloundra 1500/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/24.
- (3) "YUNNAN" (AE) with tow departed Caloundra 1400/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/27.
- (4) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Mitape.
- (5) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) departed Sydney 1550/17 for Hollandia ETA PM 24 Oct.
- (6) "WILCANNIA" (A/S) departed Sydney 1135/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0700/27.
- (7) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (8) "CALAMARES" (AF) was to depart Caloundra 1300/17 for Hollandia ETA 0800/24.
- (9) "PONTUS" (AGP) was to depart Caloundra 1800/17 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/24.
- (10) "OCTORARA" (IX) departed Hollandia 1222/16 for Sydney ETA 1900/24.
- (11) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) departed Adelaide 1135/20 for Sydney ETA 0600/24.
- (12) "GEN.W.M.MITCHELL" (AF) proceeding to Melbourne ETA 26 Oct.
- (13) "HDML's.1340,1352" departed Sydney 1040/21 for Melbourne ETA 1600/23.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS : "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 10 : 3 AMS : "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC : 699
 6 ML : 426, 428, 431, 802, 816, 818
 Auxiliaries 4 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" "GLENEARN" (APA) 1 AFD : 43

Wynnsville:

Auxiliaries 1 : "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
 5 SS : "GUAVINA" "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR" "S.42"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS: "STANWELL" "WHYALL" 3 HDML: 1129, 1324, 1329
 1 A/S: "KYBRA" 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
 "MONTELEY" (AP) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA) 1 YP: 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HODART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 ODD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 AMS: "KAPUNDA"
 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 Auxiliaries 8 : "RICEL" (AR) "VENUS" (AK) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA"
 (AH) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "BUNGAREE" (CM) "EVANGELINE" (XJOC)

 Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 3 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "DATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 20 SS : "ANGLER" "BATFISH" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "DREAM" "BLUEGILL" "GOD".
 "COBIA" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAFON" "MINGO" "ROCK"
 "PORPOISE" "GUITARRO" "RATON" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY"
 On Passage 18 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BARBERO" "REDFIN" "SIRDAR" "K.15"
 "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "BAYA" "BECUNA" "HAWKBILL" "HOE"
 "SEA ROVER" "TANTALUS" "ZWARDFISCH" "MUSKELLUNGE"

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 9 : 5 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM" "FREMANTLE"
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814 907

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

"NEPAL" "NAPIER" (DD) "TAMWORTH" "IPSWICH" (AMS) escorting "BRITISH FUSILIER" (AO)
 departed Fremantle 0959/21 for Abadan: escorts proceed Trincomalee.
 "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 10 SS : "CREVALLE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HADDON" "HAKE" "HARDHEAD" "JACK"
 "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 7 AMS: "DUBCO" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "BUNBURY"
 "PARKES" "WARRNAMBOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 ARD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Details concerning the ground operations on Leyte Is. indicate that in the Northern sector our forces had reached the outskirts of Tacaloban town by midday 21 Oct. and had captured the town by 1600/21 Oct. as well as the whole of the Cataisan Peninsula on which Tacloban airdrome lies.

In the Palo sector, S. of Tacloban, our forces advancing inland on 21 Oct. captured Palo town but met continued resistance from Mt. Guinandang and Mt. Naganaga.

In the Dulag sector some penetration was made by our forces following the enemy counter-attack by about 200 Japs in the vicinity of San Jose. At 1500/20 Oct. our right flank was secured on the Libiranan River approx. 1500 yds. inland: from there our line ran to the center of the E. edge of Dulag strip thence S. to the Marabang River at Dao. Enemy antitank fire was encountered in the vicinity of Dulag strip but patrols S. of Marabang River made only slight enemy contacts night 20-21 Oct. A second enemy counter-attack supported by at least 6 tanks was launched Eastward along the Burauen-Dulag road early A.M. 20 Oct.; this attack was repulsed by 0605/21 Oct. with a loss of 2 tanks to the enemy. In the area N. of San Jose heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire was received from strong enemy positions on Catamon hill and Liberanan Head.

- (2) Luzon Strait - At 0930/22 Oct. a force of 2 heavy cruisers, 3 destroyers were sighted by U. S. submarine 130 miles N.W. of Cape Bojeador (N.W. Luzon on course 160°.
- (3) Palawan - At noon 19 Oct. 2 "Fubuki" class destroyers were sighted by U. S. submarine approaching Balabac Strait from N.: an attack was unsuccessful.

Night 21-22 Oct. reconnaissance aircraft observed an enemy convoy described as 9 large merchant vessels and 5 destroyers W. of Northern Palawan Is. just N. of the area known as Dangerous Ground on course 220°, speed 12 knots: the position seems unusual but if correct may indicate that merchant convoys proceeding S. in this area may have been diverted West of Dangerous Ground instead of through Palawan Passage.

Further to the sighting by U. S. submarine at 0200/22 Oct. of 3 large ships estimated to be cruisers 90 miles W. of Balabac Strait course 20°, possibly the same force described as 3 possible battleships was sighted at 0800/22 Oct. by U. S. submarine approx. 120 miles N. of the earlier sighting course 330°.

At 0200/23 Oct. the same U. S. submarine reported contact with 3 large ships: probably battleships, in approx. the same position as the sighting of 3 large ships at 0800/22 Oct. course 40°. At 0300/23 Oct. the same submarine contacted a force involving at least 9 ships of which 5 were medium and 2 heavy in the same general area, course 40°. At 0525/23 Oct. another force of at least 11 ships was located in the same general area on same course and speed.

It is difficult to assess from the information available exactly what ships and forces are involved in the above sightings but the movement Northwards from the Singapore area of substantial groups of warships would appear to indicate a sortie of at least portion of the strong battleship and cruiser forces which have recently been estimated in the general Singapore area.

- (4) Mindanao - Early A.M. 22 Oct. Matina airdrome was bombed by 2 Liberators: 4 warehouses were hit.

On 22 Oct. Cagayan town was again attacked involving 12 Liberators which dropped 27 tons bombs and destroyed buildings: no AA nor interception was experienced.

- (5) Zamboanga - Midnight 21-22 Oct. aircraft sighted 6 small coastal freighters at Zamboanga. On 22 Oct. shipping in the general Zamboanga, Jolo area was attacked by Lightnings and Mitchells: 5 sizeable freighters and 5 luggers were damaged.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - Minor enemy contacts were reported 21 Oct. on the Eastern flank of our perimeter S. W. Morotai.
- (2) Halmahera - On 21 Oct. Kau and Galela strips were effectively bombed by Mitchells and Lightnings and stores dumps in the general Kau Bay-Galela Bay area were attacked by flights of Kittyhawks.

On 22 Oct. Ternate was bombed by 6 Mitchells and the whole of the Halmaheras were well covered by sweeps involving 23 Kittyhawks 8 Thunderbolts operating in flights of 2 or 4 aircraft.

- (1) N.W. Borneo - On 13 Oct. a Southbound convoy comprising 3 tankers 3 cargo vessels and 2 destroyers was attacked by a U. S. submarine close inshore Balambangbang Is. in Balabac Strait: 4 hits were claimed on the convoy. It is not quite clear whether this convoy was proceeding Wouthwards through Balabac Strait or along N.W. coast Borneo; if the former the convoy could be linkedup with the group of shipping sighted by aircraft at 1115/21 Oct. 60 miles E.M. of Tarakan heading S. (refer yesterdays Summary No. 998).

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (3) N.W. Borneo (Contd.) - At 0300/20 Oct. a convoy of large cargo vessels was attacked by U. S. submarine 40 miles W. of Miri course not reported: 3 cargo vessels totalling 22,500 tons were claimed as sunk in 2 attacks.
- (4) Makassar Strait - Night 21-22 Oct. a convoy described as comprising 7 merchant ships (3 medium 4 small) with 2 escorts was observed by aircraft offshore approx. 100 miles S.S.E. of Tarakan course 320°.
- (5) Balikpapan - At 2330/20 Oct. Balikpapan was raided by 1 Liberator causing a large fire.
- (6) S. Celebes - Photos 21 Oct. show no serviceable aircraft on Pomelaa airdrome and 1 serviceable fighter on Baroe; runways at both airdromes are serviceable.
- (7) Flcores Is. - Photos 21 Oct. show no aircraft on either of the Macemere airdrome although runways at both are serviceable.
At 2215/21 Oct. 1 medium sized vessel with possibly 3 other ships in the vicinity was observed 90 miles N. of Macemere, course S.
- (8) Ceram - On 21 Oct. Boela airdrome and installations were bombed by 12 Bostons 19 Thunderbolts 1 Liberator and Amahai runway was bombed by 12 Bostons.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) N.W. New Guinea - On 21 Oct. airdromes in N.W. New Guinea which may be being used for staging purposes including Utarom, Babo, Sagan and Mongasah were bombed by flights of Kittyhawks and Thunderbolts. In addition camp areas, gun positions and road target in the Moemi-Waren area were heavily attacked 21 Oct. by 11 Bostons 85 Kittyhawks while the Manokwari and Idore areas were attacked by other flights of Kittyhawks.
- (2) Wewak - On 22 Oct. stores areas in the Wewak and Dagua Neighborhood were attacked by 10 Liberators 5 Bostons.
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - On 21 Oct. offensive air patrols of Gazelle Peninsula, New Ireland and Bougainville were conducted by Dauntless and Corsairs and in addition gun positions at Tawui Pt. (Rabaul) were attacked by 29 Dauntless 13 Corsairs.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NAMPO SHOTO - On 18 Oct. Haha Jima and shipping offshore were attacked by 19 Liberators: direct hits were scored on a large freighter and on a tanker. 12 enemy aircraft were airborne but there was no interception.
2. FORMOSA - Photos 17 Oct. show 83 aircraft all serviceable on Okayama airdrome including 68 small, 5 medium, 10 large aircraft; the runway has been repaired.
3. FORMOSA STRAIT - At 1900/22 Oct. 7 large ships in 2 groups of 4 and 3 were contacted by U. S. submarine approx. 150 miles S.W. of Takao, course 190°, speed 22 knots.
4. MARSHALLS - On 19 Oct. Jaluit was bombed by 22 Dauntless 18 Corsairs and Milli by 14 Dauntless: 1 Corsair was lost to AA.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Significant enemy warship sightings in S. China Sea - Formosa Strait area.
(2) Satisfactory progress Leyte Island Operation.
(3) Continued air offensive SWPA land based aircraft S. Philippines.
(4) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>			
		* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)		(Incl. Mandates)			
	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>CVE</u>	(25)	CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGAMON GAMBIER BAY CAPE ESPERANCE	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATIU	WHITE PLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMANEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY	THETIS BAY -	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	PORTLAND -	
<u>CL</u>	(9)	BOISE #HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	NASHVILLE ADELAIDE	PHOENIX TROMP	COLUMBIA -	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	TANGLER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK		-	
<u>EP</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS	BELKNAP -	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T.BADGER HARRISON HALL THATCHER SHAW MAHAN	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MACKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON DRAYTON REID	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN CALDWELL LAMSON	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER PENNIION GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS COGHLAN SMITH	NEWCOMB R.P.JEARY H.L.EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W.GRANT DAVID W.TAYLOR CAPES STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD FLUSSER CONYNGHAM	-
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12	10	
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-	

* Excluding Cenpac Forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

ALLIED FORCES

Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u>	(71)	WARD (APD)	EMPIRE BATTLEAXE (APA)	ALPINE (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>		SCHLEY	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	HEYWOOD	
<u>AKA</u>		HERBERT	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	LEO OLYMEN	
		CROSBY	LEON	PRES. HAYES	
		KILTY	SUMTER	CLAY	
		SANDS	PIERCE	A.T. MIDDLETON	
		MANLEY	JAMES O'HARA	BAXTER	
		TALBOT	WAYNE	CAMBRIA	
		KANE	FULLER	MONROVIA	
		BROOKS	HARRIS	F. FUNSTON	
		OVERTON	FREMONT	W.P. BIDDLE	
		HUMPHREYS	BARNSTABLE	BOLIVAR	
		KANIMBLA (APA)	LEONARD WOOD	SHERIDAN	
		CALLAWAY	CLEMON	DOYEN	
		WESTRALIA	GLENEARN	AQUARIUS (AKA)	
		MANOORA	LOTHIAN	ELECTRA	
		FAYETTE	CAVALIER	THUGAN	
		LEEDSTOWN	J.F. BELL	O'HARA	
		ORMSY	GOLDEN CITY	ALSHAIN	
		WINDSOR	LELAND	CAPRICORNUS	
		H. T. ALLEN	KNOX	ALYCON	
		CRESCENT CITY	CALVERT	ALMAACK	
		WARREN	CLUSTER	DIPHDA	
		ELMORE	LAMAR		
	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH	ROCKY MOUNT	
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN		
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND	ORION	
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA	WHITNEY	
		PIEDMONT			
<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)			
		PLATYPUS			
		BRIAREUS			
		MEDUSA			
		MIDAS (ARB)			
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)			
		OGLALA			
		MINDANAO			
		CEBU			
		JASON (ARH)			
		REMUS (ARL)			
		ACHILLES			
		AMYCUS			
		VENT (ARS)			
		CABLE			
		PRESERVER			
<u>LSD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL		
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH		
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD		
		ASHLAND	BELLEGROVE		
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE		

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4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Area)

	# ALLIED FORCES			Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire
<u>BB</u>	(14) IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
<u>BB/VCV</u>	-	-	-	(2) ISE HYUGA	
<u>CV</u>	(12) SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA	-	(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY	-	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (poss. Sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(23) BARNES BRETON BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY COPAHEE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOR	HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAU ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMAHA LUNGA POINT	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALEIGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4) KINU NOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk)	6 (6) SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCCMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 150			25	25 (several re pairing)
	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>		?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ENEMY FORCES

Indian Ocean

<u>PT</u>	-		(4) HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-
<u>CV</u>	-		(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-
<u>CVE</u>	-		(6) BATTIER ATHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMBER	-
<u>CA</u>	-		(3) CUMBERLAND SUFFOLK LONDON	-
<u>CL</u>	-		(7) ACHILLES KENYA CEYLON NEWCASTLE GAMBIA NIGERIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-		ALBATROSS	-
<u>OL</u>	-		(2) CANTON CENTRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	(2) NIZAM	QUICKMATCH	Approx. 27	-
<u>SS</u> (49)	ANGLER	CREVALLE	JACK	10 (poss. all German)
	BARBERU	FLASHER	LAPON	
	BATFISH	GROWLER	MINGO	
	BAYA	GURNARD	MUSKELLUNGE	
	BECUNA	GUITARO	PADDLE	
	BERGAL	GUNNEL	PARGO	
	BLUEGILL	HADDO	PORPOISE	
	BREAM	HAKE	RATON	
	CERO	HAMMERHEAD	RAY	
	COBIA	HARDHEAD	REDFIN	
	COD	HAWKBILL	ROCK	
		HOE		
	CLYDE	SPITEFUL	TANTALUS	
	P.318	STOIC	TANTIVY	
	SEA ROVER	STORM	TELEMACHUS	
	SIRDAR	STURDY		
	K.14	0.19	ZWAARDFISCH	
	K.15			
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE	GRIFFIN	EURYALE	

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	130	126	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	53	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	96	45	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	60	23	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	348	275	19

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA**

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 24 October 1944

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units	77.1.1	(Fleet Flagship Unit)
	77.1.2	(Cruiser Unit)
Task Groups	77.2	(Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
	77.3	(Close Covering Group)
	77.4	(Escort Carrier Group)
	77.5	(Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
	77.6	(Beach Demolition Group)
	77.7	(Service Group)

(b) Task Force 78 (NORTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Groups	78.1	} - (Attack Groups)
	78.2	
	78.3	
	78.4	
	78.5	(Harbor Entrance Group)
	78.6	(First Reinforcement Group)
	78.7	(Second Reinforcement Group)

(c) Task Force 79 (SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Groups	79.1	} - (Attack Groups)
	79.2	
	79.3	} - (Transport Groups)
	79.4	

(2) Task Force 72

On Patrol

7 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS" "CERO"
"PERMIT"

On Passage

6 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "GUAVINA" "NARWHAL"

(3) "MACHIAS" (PF) departed Woendi 1600/22 for Morotai ETA 0600/24.

(4) "TRYON" "PINKNEY" (APH) departed Tulagi 0700/22 for Hollandia ETA 0700/26.

(5) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with 5 tows departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.

(6) "BINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(7) "ML.819" departed Port Moresby 0525/23 for Daru, calling coastal ports en route and returning to Port Moresby about 28 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT

Escorts 8

Auxiliaries 34

4 PF	: "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "HAWKESBURY"
4 AMS	: "COWRA" "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME"
2 AV	: "CURRITUCK" "TANGIER" 2 AVP: "ORCA" "SAN PABLO"
1 AO	: "TRINITY" 1 AGP: "MOBJACK" 15 AP/AK 2 YFD
2 YPF	2 YPD 2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP : 236 2 PF

Sansapor
 Combat units 8 PT

Noemfoor:
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AOG: "SUSQUEHANNA"

Biak-Woendi:
 Combat units 1 SS : "RAY"
 44 PT
 Escorts 2 : "LITHGOW" (AMS) "BURDEKIN" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 21 : "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP) "KURUMBA"
 "VICTORIA" (AO) "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "LARK"
 (AM) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "TEABERRY"
 (YN) "REMUS" (ARL) "OCTANS" (AF) 2 YP: 237,278 1 YD 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:
 Escorts 3 : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GLENELG" "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS)

Humboldt Bay:
 Combat units 16 DD : "EDWARDS" "FLUSSER" "SHAW" "DRAYTON" "LAMSON" "SMITH" "MAHAN"
 "REID" "CONYGHAM" "HUGHES" "RINGGOLD" "SCHROEDER" "SIGSBEE"
 "ANDERSON" "LANG" "JENKINS"
 Escorts 27 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 2 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRAN" "DELORAINÉ"
 5 PF : "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "LONG BEACH"
 5 PC : 84,695,812,1137,1180 6 SC : 698,703,738,743,745,748
 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384
 Auxiliaries 52 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" "FAYETEE" "ORMSBY" "LEEDSTOWN" "DUPAGE" "WAYNE"
 "FULLER" (APA) "WESTRALIA" "MANOORA" "KANIMBLA" (LSI) "CHEPACHET"
 "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "HERON" (AVP) "DIPHDA" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG)
 "DOBBIN" (AD) "MIDAS" (AR) "MAETSUYCKER" "TASMAN" (AH) "DERRICK"
 (YO) "RESERVE" "CHETCO" "HIDATSU" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "CULEBRA ISLAND"
 (ARG) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CINNAMON" (AN) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "CABLE"
 (ARS) "BENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (AS) "STAG" (AW) "CALAMARES" (AF)
 "VILLALOBOS" "ETAMIN" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "CAMBRIAN SALVOR"
 (ASR) 2 YFD 1 ATR: 31 2 ARD: 7, 12 4 AFD: 11,16,24,25
 5 YP : 216, 240, 283, 291, 292

Aitape:
 Escorts 2 : 1 PC : 1132 1 AMS: "KATOOMBA"

Admiralties:
 Combat units 4 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY" "THETIS BAY" "ATTU" "CAPE ESPERANCE"
 6 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"
 1 ODD : "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 4 PT
 Escorts 27 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANAN"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES"
 1 AMS: "ARARAT" 2 SC : 747, 982 2 PC : 500, 1124 1 ML: 827
 14 YMS: 2,6,9,10,46,48,53,97,319,313,315,316,336,393
 Auxiliaries 48 : "CACAPON" "NESHANIC" "CALIENTE" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO)
 "JASON" (ARL) "CEBU" (ARG) "PASQUOTANK" (AOG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA"
 (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM) "ALBASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
 "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "TORCHWOOD" (AD) "NAOS" "CRUX" "ARIDED"
 "GETUS" "LYRA" "MINTAKA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES"
 "SHAULA" (AK) "LEOPARD" "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMADILLO" "PORCUPINE"
 "ABARENDA" (IX) "RAIL" "TERN" "TANABA" (AT) "DUNTROON" (AP)
 "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIEDMONT" (AD) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC)
 "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 2 ABSD 2 ARD: 19, 20 1 AFD: 8
 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:
 Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 5 AMS: "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GEELONG" "LATROBE"
 Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPA" "LAURABADA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP: 504

Cape Gloucester:
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121
 Auxiliaries 1 : "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA)

Langemak:
 Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 3 PC : 218, 585, 1591
 5 SC : 659, 734, 739, 750, 981
 Auxiliaries 10 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "ACUBENS" "LUN"
 (AKS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM) "MINDANAO" (ARG)
 "BULL WHEEL" (YO) 1 AFD: 10

Milne Bay:
 Escorts 10 : 1 AMS: "GYMPIE" 2 PC : 479, 1131 2 ML : 806, 817
 1 HDML: 1338 4 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)SECRETMilne Bay: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 11 : "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCRED" (AT) "MERKUR" (AF) "PONTUS" (AGP) "GEN.H.L.SCOTT" (AP) 1 ARD: 9 2 YP: 233, 449
2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 810
Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

(1) "CLAN LAMONT" (APA) departed Espiritu Santo 1519/21 for Milne ETA China Straits 1900/24.
(2) "YMS.329,481" escorting "KINGFISHER" (AP) towing "YF.624" departed Tulagi 1400/19 for Finschhafen ETA 0800/25.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "STADTFELD" 3 SC: 620, 502, 723 1 YMS: 259
Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP: 514 1 AGP: "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP: "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
Escorts 3 : 1 SC: 1065 1 YMS: 95 1 PC: 606
Auxiliaries 4 : 2 YP: 348, 520 1 AK: "ALKALD" 1 AG: "CAP DES PALMES"

Torokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC: 1188, 1590 1 DE: "WILLIAM C. COLE"
6 PC: 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
Auxiliaries 2 : "ALDERMAN" (AK) 1 YP: 515

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
6 PGM
Escorts 8 : 1 DE: "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC: 605 1 YMS: 47
4 SC: 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP: 348

Munda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC: 1129 1 YMS: "KIWI" 4 SC: 702, 999, 514, 1267
Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

- (1) "SWAN" (PS) departed Sydney 0827/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1700/26.
- (2) "YUNNAN" (AE) with tow departed Caloundra 1400/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/27.
- (3) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0959/22 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/30.
- (4) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (5) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Aitape.
- (6) "WILCANNIA" (A/S) departed Sydney 1135/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0700/27.
- (7) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (8) "YANDRA" (A/S) with tow departed Sydney 1000/22 for Caloundra ETA 1200/25.
- (9) "OCTORARA" (IX) departed Hollandia 1222/16 for Sydney ETA 1900/24.
- (10) "GEN.W.M.MITCHELL" (AP) proceeding to Melbourne ETA 26 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS: "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 10 : 3 AMS: "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC: 699
6 ML: 426, 428, 431, 802, 816, 818

Auxiliaries 3 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFD: 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "GLENEARN" (APA)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)SECRETBrisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
 4 SS : "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR" "S.42"
 Escorts 14 : 2 AMS: "STAWELL" "WHYALLA" 3 HDML: 1129, 1324, 1329
 1 A/S: "KYBRA" 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "MESQUITE" (OGC)
 "MONTEREY" (AP) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA) 1 YP: 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 ODD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "GEORGE" 1 PS : "WARREGO" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823
 2 AMS: "KAPUNDA" "BUNDABERG" 1 PC : 1138
 Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
 "GOLDSTAR" (IG) "EVANGELINE" (XAG)

 Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
 2 HDML: 1340, 1352
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "BATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 20 SS : "ANGLER" "BATTLESHIP" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "BREAM" "BLUEGILL" "COD"
 "COBIA" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "MINGO" "ROCK"
 "PORPOISE" "GUITARRO" "RATON" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY"
 On Passage 22 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BARBERO" "REDFIN" "SIDAR" "K.15"
 "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "BAYA" "BECUNA" "HAWKBILL" "HOE"
 "SEA ROVER" "TANTALUS" "ZWAARDFISCH" "MUSKELLUNGE" "HARDHEAD"
 "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HAKE"

(2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "MURADA" departed Darwin 0955/22 for Thursday Is.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 8 : 4 AMS: "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM"
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907

Milleringimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 DD : "NIZAM" "QUICKMATCH"
 6 SS : "CREVALLE" "HADDO" "JACK" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 13 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 7 AMS: "DUBBO" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "BUNBURY"
 "PARKES" "WARRNAMBOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 ARD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Further detail concerning ground operations on Leyte is meager but substantial gains were made by our troops 22-23 Oct. although unfavorable terrain had delayed the advance in a few sectors. Troops ashore are being furnished, day and night, by supporting naval gunfire and during daylight hours by aircraft from escort carriers. Sporadic air attacks at dusk and dawn continue on our ships and shore positions but with little effect: fighter cover and ships gunfire have accounted for 22 enemy raiding aircraft to evening 23 Oct.
- (2) Mindoro Strait - At 0430/23 Oct. an enemy force described as 2 "Aoba" class cruisers with at least 1 large destroyer were attacked by U. S. submarine approx. 50 miles W. of Manila Bay, course 70°: 2 torpedo hits were claimed in 1 of the cruisers.
- At approx. midnight 23-24 Oct. a force described as 3 probable battleships, 15-20 other ships were located by U. S. submarine about 60 miles N.W. of the Northern entrance to Mindoro Strait course 80°.
- At 0330/24 Oct. another U. S. submarine reported 3 units, definitely identified as battleships, with 2 possible aircraft carriers, heading S. through Mindoro Strait.
- The 3 groups of shipping reported above may all concern 1 task force but could equally well concern at least 2 groups. It is recalled that 3 heavy units were reported near the S. end of Palawan Passage early A.M. 22 Oct.: these units could have reached Luzon area in time to have joined up with other units previously reported in this area, possibly including some carriers and such a combined group could be the force seen proceeding S. through Mindoro Strait early A.M. 24 Oct.
- As reported below another battleship force was seen in the Southern end of Palawan Passage early A.M. 23 Oct. heading N., and this could be the second battleship force reported Northbound midnight 23-24 Oct. in the Mindoro Strait area. It is estimated that the combined forces in the general Mindoro Strait area early 24 Oct., without taking into account damage claimed to have been inflicted, comprise 6 battleships, at least 2 possible aircraft carriers and a minimum of 6 out of the 14 available heavy cruisers plus supporting units.
- Reconnaissance of Busuanga Is. which includes Coron Bay was conducted night 22-23 Oct. by 2 Liberators apparently with negative results.
- (3) Palawan Passage Area - Further details concerning the shipping seen and attacked by U. S. submarines in this area A.M. 23 Oct. indicate that a task force of at least 11 ships was encountered including 3 battleships (1 Kongo class, 1 Fuso class and 1 unidentified), 4 heavy cruisers ("Atago" class), possibly 1 aircraft carrier plus destroyers and possibly light cruisers. This force was attacked at 0700/23 Oct. whilst on course N.E. approx. in the center of Palawan Passage by 2 submarines: 1 "Kongo" class battleship is believed sunk, 1 heavy cruiser claimed as sunk and another heavy cruiser hit with 4 torpedos and stopped.
- As indicated above the remainder of this force probably continued Northwards and was probably amongst the shipping sighted off Mindoro Strait early 24 Oct.
- (4) Palawan Is. - The convoy comprising 9 merchant ships 1 sea truck and 6 escorts reported in Summary No. 998 as South bound off Bold Pt. (Central S.E. coast Palawan) A.M. 21 Oct., and the convoy of 9 large merchant vessels 5 destroyers reported N. of Dangerous Ground night 21-22 Oct. (refer Summary No. 999) were in fact identical and both reported positions were incorrect. Correctly the sighting concerned 9 merchant ships, 1 sea truck and 6 escorts sighted A.M. 21 Oct. off N. Palawan Is. proceeding S. through Palawan Passage. At 1215/23 Oct. 9 small merchant ships possibly part of the same convoy were sighted near S. end Palawan Passage course 180°.
- (5) Balabac Strait - Shortly before noon 22 Oct. a convoy described as 2 large freighters 1 medium tanker and 2 small vessels were reported by aircraft in Balabac Strait heading S.
- (6) Visayas - On 20 Oct. carrier borne aircraft from 7th Fleet Task Group attacked targets in the general Visayas area in support of the Leyte landing: 2 Jap fighters were destroyed on Opan airdrome on Cebu and in addition 7 luggers were destroyed, 2 motor torpedo boats damaged in the Panay-Cebu area. Also on 20 Oct. strips on Negros Is. were strafed by a reconnaissance Liberator: 4 parked fighters were destroyed, another 4 damaged and in addition 2 motor vehicles were destroyed.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (6) Visayas (Contd.) - At approx. 1100/22 Oct. Lahug and Opon airdromes on Cebu, were bombed by 49 Liberators but poor visibility prevented observation of results. There was no interception or AA although 6 fighters were observed on Lahug drome. 10 unidentified ships and 40-60 small craft were observed in the Cebu-Bohol area.
At 1530/22 Oct. 2 large minelayers were observed on an Northerly course off the Southern extremity of Negros Is. and at 1030/23 Oct. 2 possible destroyers were observed in the same vicinity heading S.W.
- (7) Mindanao - On 23 Oct. Cotabato town was bombed by 44 Liberators: a number of buildings were destroyed and the town left enveloped in flames. There was no AA nor interception. On the same day road targets in Central Mindanao were attacked by 11 Lightnings and some 20 motor vehicles were shot up. In addition the Lightnings set fire to 3 small vessels in Macalajar Bay on N. W. Mindanao.
- (8) Sulu Archipelago - On 23 Oct. shipping in Sulu Archipelago was attacked by 10 Mitchells: 2 sea trucks, 2 barges were damaged and 1 air-borne floatplane was shot down.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - Further minor enemy activity was reported on 21 Oct. in the Central sector of our perimeter on S.W. Morotai.
- (2) Halmahera - On 23 Oct. Central Halmahera was effectively covered by sweeps involving 18 fighter-bombers.
- (3) Makassar Strait - At 0915/23 Oct. aircraft sighted 2 ships described as 1 light cruiser 1 destroyer, near Northern entrance Makassar Strait course 45°, at high speed.
- (4) Ambon - On 22 Oct. Ambon area airfields were again attacked by formations of Bostons and thunderbolts: Iaha, Kairatoo and Amahai were the main objectives. In addition on 22 Oct. targets in Piroe Bay were attacked by 24 Mitchells and 12 Bostons and in Binnen Bay by 8 Thunderbolts: 1 lugger was sunk and a flying boat damaged: 2 Bostons were lost to AA.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Maffin Bay - Supporting ground forces in this area enemy positions in the Sawar Creek area were attacked 22 Oct. by 42 Bostons and on 23 Oct. by 45 Bostons.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NAMPO SHOTO - On 21 Oct. Iwo Jima airdrome and gun positions were attacked by 28 Liberators: 8 enemy fighters intercepted and 2 were shot down, another 2 damaged: 1 Liberator was lost. The Liberators were met 30 miles S. of Iwo Jima by 16 Thunderbolts to escort them to base: 1 enemy aircraft was encountered and shot down. 1 destroyer and 3 cargo vessels were observed at Iwo Jima.
2. NANSEI SHOTO - On 22 Oct. an enemy submarine was sighted 270 miles S.S.E. of Okinawa Jima course 210°.
3. CAROLINES - At midday 23 Oct. a probable enemy submarine was reported by surface craft approx. 225 miles S.S.E. of Peleliu: an attack was conducted resulting in a slight oil slick.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Concentration enemy Striking Force units in S. Luzon area.
(2) Further significant successes by U. S. Submarines.
(3) Satisfactory progress Leyte Island operation.
(4) Continued air offensive SWPA land based aircraft S. Philippines.
(5) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

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24 Oct. 1944

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>BB</u>	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>VE</u>	(25)	CHI NANGO FANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SING MON GAMBIER BAY CAPE ESPERANCE ATTU	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKON BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY	WHITE PLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMANEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY THETIS BAY	-	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	PORTLAND -	
<u>CL</u>	(9)	BOISE #HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	NASHVILLE ADELAIDE	PHOENIX TROMP	COLUMBIA -	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK		-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS	BELKNAP -	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ARUMTA WARWAMUNGA JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T.BADGER HARRISON HALL THATCHER SHAW MAHAN	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MCKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON DRAYTON REID	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS HAZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN CALDWELL LAMSON	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER PENNINGTON GANSEVOORT CLAYTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS COGHLIN SMITH	NEWCOMB R.P.LEARY H.L.EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W.GRANT DAVID W.TAYLOR CAPES STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHAUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD FLUSSER CONYNGHAM	-
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GLR GRUVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12	10	
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

APD AP A AK A	(72)	WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY SANDS MANLEY TALBOT KANE BROOKS OVERTON HUMPHREYS KANIMBLA (APA) CALLAWAY WESTRALIA MANOORA FAYETTE LEEDSTOWN ORMSY WINDSOR H. T. ALLEN CRESCENT CITY WARREN ELMORE	EMPIRE BATTLEAXE (APA) EMPIRE ARQUEBUS EMPIRE SPEARHEAD LEON SUMNER PIERCE JAMES O'HARA WAYNE FULLER HARRIS FREMONT BARNSTABLE LEONARD WOOD CLEMSON GLENEARN LOTHIAN CAVALIER J. F. BELL GOLDEN CITY LELAND KNOX CALVERT CLUSTER LAMAR CLAN LAMONT	ALPINE (APA) HEYWOOD LEO OLYMEN PRES. HAYES CLAY A. T. MIDDLETON BAXTER CALBRIA MONROVIA F. FUNSTON W. P. BIDDLE BOLIVAR SHERIDAN DOYEN AQUARIUS (AKA) ELECTRA THUGAN O'HARA ALSHAIN CAPRICORNUS ALYCOMB ALMAACK DIPHDA	
AGC	(5)	BLUE RIDGE MOUNT OLYMPUS	WASATCH APPALACHIAN	ROCKY MOUNT	
AS	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND	ORION	
AD	(4)	DOBBIN PIEDMONT	SIERRA	WHITNEY	
AR	(16)	RIGEL (AR) PLATYPUS BRIAREUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARE) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA MINDANAO CEBU JASON (ARH) REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE PRESERVER			
LSL	(10)	CARTER HALL BPPING FOREST GUNSTON HALL ASHLAND RUSMORE	OAKHILL WHITE MARSH LYNDENWALD BELLEGROVE CASA GRANDE		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Area)

	#	ALLIED FORCES			Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire
BB	(14)	IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO	*KONGO
ICV						(2) ISE HYUGA
CV	(12)	SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA		(5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIHAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
CVL	(9)	CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY		(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHIO ZUIHO RYUHO (poss. Sunk)
CVE	(24)	BARNES BRETON BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY COPAHUE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOR	HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SEAFROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAU ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALAMAHA LUNGA POINT STEAMER BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
CA	(8)	BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY	(12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO LOBA	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
CCA CL	(19)	BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND REMO RALEIGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LEANDER	(4) KINU NOSHIO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk)	6 (6) SAKAMA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
CIC					KASHII	KASHIMA
AV/CVS	(4)	BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCCMOKE		(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
DE		Approx. 150			25	25 (several pairing)
SS		Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
AS			?		?	2 (1 repair)

* Non-effective
Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ENEMY FORCES

Indian Ocean

<u>FF</u>	-	(4) HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS	-
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6) BATTIER ATHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMBER	-
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND SUFFOLK LONDON	-
<u>CL</u>	-	(7) ACHILLES KENYA CEYLON NEWCASTLE GAMBIA NIGERIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CENTRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	(2) NIZAM QUICKMATCH	Approx. 27	-
<u>SS</u> (49)	ANGLER CREVALLE JACK Approx. 16		10 (poss. all German)
	BARBERU FLASHER LAPON		
	BATFISH GROWLER MINGO		
	BAYL GURNARD MUSKELLUNGE		
	BECUNA GUITARO PADDLE		
	BERGAL GUNNEL PARCO		
	BLUEGILL HADDO PORPOISE		
	BREAM HAKE RATON		
	CERO HAMMERHEAD RAY		
	COBIA HARDHEAD REDFIN		
	COD HAWKBILL ROCK		
	HOE		
	CLYDE SPITEFUL TANTALUS		
	P.318 STOIC TANTIVY		
	SEA ROVER STORM TELEMACHUS		
	SIRDAR STURDY		
	K.14 C.19 ZWAARDFISCH		
	K.15		
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE		

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	136	100	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	48	-
E Bombers	-	-	96	40	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	60	23	6
Cosm. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	354	239	19

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 1001

Date 25 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/25:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
Task Group 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
77.3 (Close Covering Group)
77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Force 78 (NORTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Group 78.1)
78.2) - (Attack Groups)
78.3)
78.4)
78.5 (Harbor Entrance Group)
78.6 (First Reinforcement Group)
78.7 (Second Reinforcement Group)

(c) Task Force 79 (SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE):-

Task Group 79.1) - (Attack Groups)
79.2)
79.3) - (Transport Groups)
79.4)

Task Force 72

On Patrol 7 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "DARTER" "NAUTILUS" "CERO"
"PERMIT"

On Passage 6 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "GUAVINA" "NARWHAL"

- (3) "ATTU" (CVE) was to depart Manus about 25 Oct for Pearl Harbor.
(4) "COWRA" (AMS) escorting Convoy GB 705 (2 AP/AK) departed Morotai 0800/23 for Sansapor due 0600/25.
(5) "CURRITUCK" (AV) departed Morotai about 1800/23 for Woendi ETA 0700/25.
(6) "Convoy GB 704" (4 AP/AK) proceeding from Morotai to Hollandia ETA 1800/26.
(7) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting Convoy GB 706 ("ELKHORN" (AOG)) departed Morotai 0800/23 for Biak ETA 2300/25.
(8) "OCTANS" (AF) departed Biak 1700/22 for Manus due 0700/25.
(9) "DUNTROON" (AP) departed Biak 1800/22 for Langemak due 0800/25.
(10) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with 5 tows departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.
(11) "BINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.
(12) "TRYON" "PINKNEY" (APH) departed Tulagi 0700/22 for Hollandia ETA 0700/26.
(13) "GYMPIE" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 0717/23 for Finschhafen ETA 1200/25.
(14) "ML.819" departed Port Moresby 0525/23 for Daru, calling coastal ports en route and returning to Port Moresby about 28 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT
 Escorts 8 : 5 PF : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "HAWKESBURY"
 "MACHIAS"
 3 AMS : "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME"
 Auxiliaries 33 : 1 AV : "TANGIER" 2 AVP : "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" 1 AO : "TRINITY"
 1 AGP : "MOBJACK" 15 AP/AK 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD 2 YO
 2 YOG 1 YP : 236 2 PF

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT

Noemfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AOG : "SUSQUEHANNA"

Blak-Woendi:

Combat units 1 SS : "RAY"

44 PT

Escorts 1 : "LITHGOW" (AMS)

Auxiliaries 19 : "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP) "KURUMBA"
 "VICTORIA" (AO) "SAKATONCHEE" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "LARK" (AM)
 "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "TEABERRY" (YN)
 "REMUS" (ARL) 2 YP : 237, 278 2 YFD

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 3 : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GLENELG" (AMS)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units 16 DD : "EDWARDS" "FLUSSER" "SHAW" "DRAYTON" "LAMSON" "SMITH" "MAHAN"
 "REID" "CONYGHAM" "HUGHES" "RINGGOLD" "SCHROEDER" "SIGSBEE"
 "ANDERSON" "LANG" "JENKINS"

Escorts 27 : 2 DE : "FOREMAN" "ENGLAND" 7 YMS : 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384
 3 AMS : "COOTAMUNDRA" "TOWNSVILLE" "DELORAINIE"

5 PF : "LONG BEACH" "CORONADO" "GLENDALE" "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 6 SC : 695, 703, 738, 743, 745, 748
 Auxiliaries 52 : "HENRY T. ALLEN" "FAYETTE" "ORMSBY" "LEEDSTOWN" "DUPAGE" "WAYNE"
 "FULLER" (APA) "WESTRALIA" "MANOORA" "KANIMBLA" (LSI) "CHEPACHET"
 "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "HERON" (AVP) "DIPHDA" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG)
 "DOBBIN" (AD) "MIDAS" (AR) "MAETSUYCKER" "TASMAN" (AH) "CABLE"
 (ARS) "RESERVE" "CHETCO" "HIDATSU" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "DERRICK" (YO)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CINNAMON" (AN)
 "AMYCUS" (ARL) "BENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (IS) "CALAMARES" (AF)
 "VILLALOBOS" "ETAMIN" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "CAMBRIAN SALVOR"
 (ASR) "STAG" (AT) 2 YFD 1 ATR : 31 2 ARD : 7, 12
 4 AFD : 11, 16, 24, 25 5 YP : 215, 240, 283, 291, 292

Aitape:

Escorts 2 : 1 PC : 1132 1 AMS : "KATOOMBA"

Admiralties:

Combat units 3 CVE : "NEHEMIA BAY" "THETIS BAY" "CAPE ESPERANCE"
 6 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN"

1 ODD : "VENDETTA"

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

4 PT

Escorts

27 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEEDE" "PARKES"

1 AMS : "ARARAT" 2 SC : 747, 982 2 PC : 500, 1124
 1 ML : 827 14 YMS : 2, 6, 9, 10, 46, 48, 53, 97, 313, 315, 319, 336, 393, 316

Auxiliaries 47 : "CACAPON" "NESHANIC" "CALIENTE" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO)
 "JASON" (ARL) "CEDU" (ARG) "PASQUOTANK" (AOG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA"
 (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
 "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "TORCHWOOD" (AD) "NAOS" "CRUX" "ARIDED"
 "CETUS" "LYRA" "MINTAKA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "BOOTES"
 "SHAULA" (AK) "LEOPARD" "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMDILLIO" "FORCUPINE"
 "ABAREND" (IX) "RAIL" "TERN" "TAWABA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA"
 "PIEDMONT" (AD) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 2 ABSD
 2 ARD : 19, 20 1 AFD : 8 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Medang:

Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS : "RINDJANI"

5 AMS : "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GEEBONG" "LATROBE"

Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPA" "LAURABADA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP : 504

Cape Gloucester:

Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121

Auxiliaries 1 : "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA)

Langemak:

Escorts 11 : 1 PF : "BARGOO" 3 PC : 218, 585, 1591 2 YMS: 329, 481
 5 SC : 659, 734, 739, 750, 981
 Auxiliaries 13 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" "KINGFISHER" (AF)
 "ACUBENS" "LUNA" (AKS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ASR) "GAMBLE" (DM)
 "MINDANAO" (AG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "GEN.H.L.SCOTT" (AP) "MERKUR" (AF)
 1 AFD: 10

Milne Bay:

Escorts 9 : 2 PC : 479, 1131 2 ML : 806, 817 1 HDML: 1338
 4 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274
 Auxiliaries 10 : "CLAN LAMONT" (APA) "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCRED" (AT)
 "PONTUS" (AGP) 1 ARD: 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Moresby:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 810
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/25:

Nil.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 1 YMS: 259
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP: "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 3 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS: 95 1 PC : 606
 Auxiliaries 4 : 2 YP : 348, 520 1 AK : "ALKAID" 1 AG : "CAP DES PALMES"

Torokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 2 : "ALDERAMIN" (AK) 1 YP : 515

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PCM
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS: 47
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS: "KIWI" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/25:

- (1) "SWAN" (PS) departed Sydney 0827/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1700/26.
- (2) "YUNNAN" (AE) with tow departed Caloundra 1400/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/27.
- (3) "STANWELL" (AMS) departed Caloundra 1700/23 for Milne Bay ETA 1600/27.
- (4) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0959/22 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/30.
- (5) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (6) "WILCANNIA" (A/S) departed Sydney 1135/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0700/27.
- (7) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Aitape.
- (8) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (9) "GEORGE" (DE) departed Sydney 1221/23 for Purvis ETA 2359/27.
- (10) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) was to depart Sydney about 25 Oct for Brisbane.
- (11) "GEN. W. M. MITCHELL" (AP) proceeding to Melbourne ETA 26 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERE ARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS: "VIGILANT"

Gairns:
 Escorts 10 : 3 AMS: "COLAC" "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC : 699
 6 ML : 426, 428, 431, 802, 816, 818
 Auxiliaries 3 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFD: 3

Townsville:
 Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "GLENEARN" (APA)

Bowen:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:
 Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
 4 SS : "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR" "S.42"
 Escorts 13 : 1 AMS: "WHYALLA" 3 HDML: 1129, 1324, 1329 1 A/S: "KYBRA"
 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
 "MONTEREY" (AP) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA) 1 YP : 420

Bney:
 Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 DD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 8 : 1 PS : "WARREGO" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 A/S: "YANDRA"
 2 AMS: "KAPUNDA" "BUNDABERG" 1 PG : 1138
 Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
 "EVANGELINE" (XAPC) "OCTORARA" (IX)

Melbourne:
 Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMB A" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
 2 HDML: 1340, 1352
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "BATHURST"

NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/25:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 20 SS : "ANGLER" "BATTISH" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "BREAN" "BLUEGILL" "COBIA"
 "COD" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "MINGO" "PORPOISE"
 "ROCK" "GUITARRO" "RATON" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY"
 On Passage 22 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BARBERO" "REDFIN" "SIRDAR" "BAYA"
 "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "BECUNA" "HAWKBILL" "SEA ROVER"
 "TANTALUS" "ZWAARFISCH" "MUSKELLUNGE" "HARHEAD" "GROWLER" "HAKE"
 "GUNNEL" "HOE" "K.15"

(2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "MURADA" departed Darwin 0955/22 for Thursday Is.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 8 : "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM" (AMS) 4 ML: 429, 812, 814,
 907

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/25:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 DD : "NIZAM" "QUICKMATCH"
 6 SS : "CREVALLE" "HADDO" "JACK" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 13 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 7 AMS: "DUBBO" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "BUNBURY"
 "PARKES" "WARRNAMBOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 ARD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

(1) Leyte - Details of ground operations up to P.M. 23 Oct. show that in the N. sector our line extended approximately from a position on the Western shores of San Jaunico Str. $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles N.W. of Tacliban following an irregular line Southwards to Palo. In the Dulag sector the line is held to an average depth of 6-7000 yds. from the coast, opposite San Roque in the N. and bounded generally by the N. bank of Daguitan River in the S. In the latter sector patrols have pushed forward along the Southern highway approx. 7000 yds beyond Daguitan River and our tanks have advanced against some opposition along the main Western highway to within a mile of San Pablo airfield. Enemy casualties up to 1800/23 Oct. on Leyte number 1877 known dead and 13 prisoners taken: our casualties continue light.

(2) Luzon - Mindanao Sea Naval Dispositions - Sightings A.M. 24 Oct. in the Sulu Sea indicate that the enemy Striking Force units in the Mindoro Strait area and Southern Palawan area sortied Eastwards with the apparent intention of launching a surface strike on our surface units in Leyte Gulf.

At approx. 1115/24 Oct. reconnaissance aircraft sighted an enemy force, estimated from photos taken to comprise probably 3 battleships 9 cruisers (6 heavy 3 Light) and 12 destroyers, in Teblas Strait (S.W. Mindoro) heading N.E. This force apparently continued towards and through San Bernardino Strait, although subjected P.M. 24 Oct. to a severe attack by our carrier based aircraft from a 3rd Fleet Task Group during the course of which heavy damage was reported to have been inflicted including hits on 1 battleship and 2 cruisers.

A second force was sighted 0905/24 Oct. in the S.E. Sulu Sea heading for Mindoro Sea and Surigao Strait: this force is estimated from photos taken to comprise 2-3 battleships 6 heavy cruisers 1 light cruiser and 10-12 destroyers in 2 groups evenly divided. Subsequently during the day this second force was subjected to attacks by carrier-based aircraft and preliminary reports indicate that 2 battleships were heavily hit by bombs while 1 heavy cruiser and 2 destroyers were hit by rockets, but the large part of the force at least appear to have proceeded through Mindanao Sea and through Surigao Strait.

The Southern enemy force which proceeded through Mindanao Sea was contacted about midnight 24-25 Oct. in Southern Surigao Strait by our light surface units and at about 0200-0300/25 Oct. was in action with our fleet units in Southern Leyte Gulf: the enemy force at this stage was reported to comprise 2 battleships 3 cruisers plus destroyers. At about 0500/25 Oct. this group was reported to be retiring Southward through Surigao Strait pursued by our light forces. In the meantime the Northern Sulu Sea force, or at least the major part of it, apparently proceeded through San Bernardino Strait and Southwards down East coast Samar Is. as at about 0700/25 Oct. units of 7th Fleet Task groups were under attack by enemy battleships and cruisers approx. 80 miles E.N.E. of Honohan Is. No further details of these actions is yet available. The enemy forces which proceeded through Sulu Sea and engaged our surface forces in Leyte Gulf area are believed to be probably the entire concentration of enemy Striking Fleet units recently estimated in the S. China Sea-Singapore area and comprise probably in total 6 battleships 12 heavy cruisers 4 light cruisers and about 25 destroyers.

In the meantime an enemy aircraft carrier Task Force had been sighted by reconnaissance aircraft afternoon 24 Oct. 185 miles E. of N.E. tip Luzon. This force apparently divided into 2 groups, the first comprising 3 aircraft carriers (described as 2 "Shokaku" class and 1 converted cruiser type carrier) 3 light cruisers 9 destroyer which was heading W. at 15 knots and the second comprising probably 2 "Ise" class converted battleships 2 other battleships or heavy cruisers plus 11 destroyers or cruisers on course 210°. This combined group or part thereof was engaged at dawn 25 Oct. by 3rd Fleet Aircraft Carrier Task Groups. The enemy carrier Task Force is estimated to have sortied from Empire.

Our aircraft carrier Task Group operating N. of San Bernardino Strait during 24 Oct. was apparently subjected to continuous and intense enemy air attacks, presumably by land based aircraft, and 150 enemy aircraft had been shot down up to 1500/24 Oct. At 1700/24 Oct. there were no enemy aircraft near our task group for the first time during the day. Some damage was sustained by our surface units.

(3) Palawan - At 1615/24 Oct. aircraft sighted 3 transports 3 freighter transports and 4 escorts off N.W. coast Palawan, 50 miles S.W. of Northern Palawan, on course 210°.

At 1700/24 Oct. 1 tanker and 1 destroyer were observed also off N. coast Palawan 20 miles S.S.W. of above mentioned convoy.

(4) Mindanao - On 24 Oct. Buayan airdrome was bombed by 18 Liberators while shipping in Sarangani Bay and roads Northwards to Cotabato were attacked by 12 Mitchells which strafed 4 schooners and wrecked 4 trucks.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - On 23 Oct. an estimated 100 Japs attacked an outpost outside the perimeter S.W. Morotai: 37 of this attacking force were killed.
- (2) Palmahera - Reports 23 Oct. indicate that Miti, Galela, Kau, Lolobata and Djailolo all unserviceable.
- (3) N.E. Borneo - Early 24 Oct. port installations at Sandakan were bombed by 4 Liberators and A.M. 24 Oct. shipping and docks in the same area were attacked by 8 Mitchells escorted by Lightnings and Thunderbolts. Mitchells bombing was reported excellent and the 23 escorting fighters strafed and set on fire 11 sea trucks and 4 luggers: no enemy aircraft were encountered.
- (4) N. Celebes - On 24 Oct. N. coast Manado was swept by 16 Kittyhawks which attacked Amcoerang and Lembeh Straits.
- (5) S.W. Celebes - On 23 Oct. during a sweep of Makassar area by 7 Lightnings, 1 enemy aircraft was destroyed and another probably destroyed on Limboenk airdrome.
- (6) Makassar Strait - On 23 Oct. 4 small merchant ships in Makassar Strait were attacked by reconnaissance Liberator which destroyed or damaged them all. Another Liberator over Makassar 23 Oct. was attacked by 4 old type enemy fighters without effect.
- (7) Ambon Area - On 23 Oct. the oil installations at Boela were heavily attacked involving 24 Bostons 12 Lightnings 2 Mitchells and 1 Liberator. On the same day during a sweep by 6 Lightnings over Boela 7 enemy fighters were shot down while they were attempting to take off Boela drome.
Also 23 Oct. Ambon area airdromes were again attacked concentrating on Haroekoe and Kairatoe by 12 Bostons 16 Thunderbolts while Ambon town and Noesanive were attacked by 23 Mitchells 11 Lightnings. In addition 23 Oct. Ceram coastline was swept by Kittyhawks and Beaufighters.
- (8) Flores Is. - At 1210/23 Oct. AA positions, stores and small craft offshore at Macemere were bombed by 11 Mitchells.
- (9) Timor - At 0900/23 Oct. road targets on Timor were attacked by 6 Beauforts which destroyed 9 motor transports.

3. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak - On 23 Oct. stores dumps at Wewak were bombed by 7 Liberators.
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - Air operations 22-23 Oct. were limited by weather to offensive patrols by Corsairs and Venturas and Mitchells.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NAMPO SHOTO - At approx. 1500/23 Oct. a convoy comprising 2 small merchant ships with 4 escorts were sighted 25 miles S.W. of Chichi Jima course 150°.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Enemy Striking Forces comprising bulk of available Jap Navy sorties in defence of Philippines.
- (2) Satisfactory progress Leyte land operations.
- (3) Continued air offensive SWPA land based aircraft S. Philippines.
- (4) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES				ENEMY FORCES			
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)				(Incl. Mandates)			
<u>BB</u>	(6)	MARYLAND MISSISSIPPI	PENNSYLVANIA CALIFORNIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>CVE</u>	(25)	CHEMANGO FLANSHAW BAY MIDWAY SANGLIMON GAMBIER BAY CAPE ESPERANCE	SANTEE SUWANNEE SITKOH BAY KITKUN BAY HOGGATT BAY ATTU	WHITE PLAINS SAGINAW BAY PETROF BAY KALININ BAY SAVO ISLAND NATOMA BAY	WINDHAM BAY MARCUS ISLAND KADASHAN BAY OMMANEY BAY RUDYERD BAY MANILA BAY THETIS BAY	-	
<u>EE</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	MINNEAPOLIS	SHROPSHIRE	LOUISVILLE	PORTLAND -	
<u>CL</u>	(9)	BOISE #HOBART	DENVER HONOLULU	NASHVILLE ADELAIDE	PHOENIX TROMP	COLUMBIA -	
<u>EV</u>	(3)	TANGIER	WRIGHT	CURRITUCK		-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	HALF MOON HERON	ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE	SAN PABLO GOLDSBOROUGH	SAN CARLOS	BELINAP -	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA JENKINS VENDETTA ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DAILY DASHIELL FLETCHER HOWORTH AMMEN MCCORD SPROSTON C.T. BADGER HARRISON HALL THATCHER SHAW MAHAN	HOPEWELL HUTCHINS HUGHES STUART STACK KILLEN LANG MACKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON REINGOLD NICHOLLS SCHROEDER LA VALLETTE TRATHEN HALLIGAN CLEMSON DRAYTON REID	RUSSELL SIGSBEE STEVENS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON REMEY MONSSEN MERTZ HALFORD LEUTZE BRYANT MCGOWAN HEERMAN EDWARDS H. ZELWOOD WELLES WILKES MACDONOUGH HARADEN CAIDWELL LAMSON	HAGGARD FRANKS HAILEY TAYLOR ROBINSON MCNAIR MEEVEN BADGER FENNION GANSEVOORT CLAXTON CONY AULICK SIGOURNEY RATHBURNE THORN HOEL EVANS TWIGGS CCGHLAN SMITH	NEWCOLE R.P. LEARY H.L. EDWARDS MCDERMOTT ROSS A.W. GRANT DAVID W. TAYLOR CAPPS STEMBEL ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOTT KIDD BLACK CHLUNCEY BRAINE PICKING ISHERWOOD FLUSSER CONYNGHAM	-
<u>SS</u>	(18)	BASHAW DACE DARTER FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GLR GUAVINA NARWHAL NAUTILUS	POLLACK SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 K.9 K.12	10	
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Cont)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>APD</u>	(71)	WARD (APD)	CLAN LAMONT	(APA)	ALPINE (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>		SCHLEY	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS		HEYWOOD	
<u>AKA</u>		HERBERT	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD		LEO OLYMEN	
		CROSBY	LEON		PRES. HAYES	
		KILTY	SUMNER		CLAY	
		SANDS	PIERCE		A.T. MIDDLETON	
		MANLEY	JAMES O'HARA		BAXTER	
		TALBOT	WAYNE		CAMBRIA	
		KANE	FULLER		MONROVIA	
		BROOKS	HARRIS		F. FUNSTON	
		OVERTON	FREMONT		W.P. BIDDLE	
		HUMPHREYS	BARNSTABLE		BOLIVAR	
		KANIMBLA (APA)	LEONARD WOOD		SHERIDAN	
		CALLAWAY	CLEMSON		DOYEN	
		WESTRALIA	GLENEARN		AQUARIUS (AKA)	
		MANOORA	LOTHIAN		ELECTRA	
		FAYETTE	CAVALIER		THUGAN	
		LEEDSTOWN	J.F. BELL		O'HARA	
		ORMSY	GOLDEN CITY		ALSHAIN	
		WINDSOR	LELAND		CAPRICORNUS	
		H. T. ALLEN	KNOX		ALYCON	
		CRESCENT CITY	CALVERT		ALMAACK	
		WARREN	CLUSTER		DIPHDA	
		ELMORE	LAMAR			
<u>AGC</u>	(5)	BLUE RIDGE	WASATCH		ROCKY MOUNT	-
		MOUNT OLYMPUS	APPALACHIAN			
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OTUS	HOLLAND		ORION	
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA		WHITNEY	
		PIEDMONT				
<u>AR</u>	(16)	RIGEL (AR)				
		PLATYPUS				
		BRIAREUS				
		MEDUSA				
		MIDAS (ARB)				
		CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)				
		OGLALA				
		MINDANAO				
		CEBU				
		JASON (ARH)				
		REMUS (ARL)				
		ACHILLES				
		AMYCUS				
		VENT (ARS)				
		CABLE				
		PRESENER				
<u>LSD</u>	(10)	CARTER HALL	OAKHILL			
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH			
		GUNSTON HALL	LINDENWALD			
		ASHLAND	BELLEGROVE			
		RUSHMORE	CASA GRANDE			

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Area)

	# ALLIED FORCES	Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire
<u>BB</u>	(14) IOWA NEW JERSEY MISSOURI WISCONSIN ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA WASHINGTON COLORADO IDAHO	NEW MEXICO INDIANA SOUTH DAKOTA *OKLAHOMA
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	(6) YAMATO MUSASHI MAGATO HARUNA FUSO YAMASHIRO (2) ISE HYUGA
<u>CV</u>	(12) SARATOGA YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL HANCOCK	ENTERPRISE FRANKLIN WASP TICONDEROGA (5) AMAGI TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA UNRYU
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD	LANGLEY PRINCETON COWPENS	SAN JACINTO INDEPENDENCE MONTEREY (5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO RYUHO (poss. Sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(24) BARNES BRETON BOUGAINVILLE BUCARELI BAY COPAHEE CORAL SEA CASABLANCA CORREGIDOR	HOLLANDIA MUNDA NASSAU TULAGI PRINCE WILLIAM ROI LONG ISLAND KWAJALEIN	SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY SALAMAU ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMAHA LUNGA POINT STEAMER BAY (2) JINYO UNYO (2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE CHESTER BOSTON	NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS	SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY (12) TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI HAGURO MYOKO AOBA (2) NACHI ASHIGARA
	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND HOUSTON DETROIT TRENTON	- MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RENO RALEIGH	SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS VINCENNES RICHMOND *LELANDER (4) KINU NOSHIRO YAHAGI KITAGAMI (poss. sunk) KASHII KASHIMA
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	6 (6) SAKAWA OYODO ISUZU ABUKUMA TAMA KISO
<u>AV/GVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCCMOKE (2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 150		25 25 (several re pairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150		10 Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>	?		? 2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ENEMY FORCES

Indian Ocean

			(4) HOWE RENOWN QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT		
<u>CV</u>	-		(3) VICTORIOUS INDOMITABLE ILLUSTRIOUS		
<u>CVE</u>	-		(6) BATTIER UNICORN SHAH	ATHELING BEGUM AMBER	
<u>CA</u>	-		(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	
<u>CL</u>	-		(7) ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS	
<u>X</u>	-		(2) CANTON	CHITRAL	
<u>DD</u>	(2) NIZAM	QUICKMATCH		Approx. 27	
<u>SS</u> (49)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYL BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BREAM CERO COBIA COD	CREVALLE FLASHER CROWLER GURNARD GUITARO GUNNEL HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK	Approx. 16	10 (poss. all German)
	CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR	SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS		
	K.14 K.15	O.19	ZWAARDFISCH		
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE	GRIFFIN	EURYALE		

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	-	130	110	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	48	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	96	46	3
Seaplane Bases	-	-	5	6	-
Seaplane	10	-	60	23	6
Land A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	354	255	19

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

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

No. 1002

Date 26 Oct 44

(11)

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/26:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
Task Group 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
77.3 (Close Covering Group)
77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Forces 78 and 79:-

(i) Echelon L6 (19 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AN 4 PF)
Echelon L7 (22 AT 1 IX 1 PF)
Echelon L8 (Group 1)
(ii) Task Group 78.10 (20 LST 1 DD 1 PF)
Task Group 78.11 (17 LST 2 PC 1 PF)
Task Group 78.12 (1 PC)
Task Group 78.2.4 (2 AKA 19 LST 4 DD)
Task Group 79.14.2 (2 APA 1 AP 2 AKA 3 APD 1 DD 2 LSD 1 LSV)
Task Group 79.14.3 (5 APA 2 PAD 1 AP 2 DD)
Task Group 79.14.4 (1 AGC 1 AP 1 LSV 2 DD)
Task Group 79.14.5 (1 ATF 1 ARS 1 DL 1 AT plus LST and LCI)
Task Group 79.14.6 (2 AKA 2 APA 2 DD 3 DMS)
Task Group 79.14.7 (2 APA 1 APD 1 APH 1 DD)
Task Group 79.14.8 (1 AGC 3 APA 1 AP 2 AKA 2 AK 1 LSD 1 DM 2 DMS)
Task Group 79.14.9 (13 LST 4 PC 1 DD)
Task Group 70.6 (1 CL 2 AVD 1 DD)

(2) Task Force 72

On Patrol 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "NAUTILUS" "CERO" "PERMIT"
On Passage 5 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "NARWHAL"

(3) "ATTU" (CVE) was to depart Manus about 25 Oct for Pearl Harbor.

(4) "CONVOY GB 704" (4 AP/AK) proceeding from Morotai to Hollandia ETA 1800/26.

(5) "TRINITY" (AO) departed Manus 0800/24 for Woendi ETA 1300/27.

(6) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with 5 tow departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.

(7) "BINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(8) "ML.819" departed Port Moresby 0525/23 for Daru, calling coastal ports en route and returning to Port Moresby about 28 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)SECRETLangemak: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 14 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" "KINGFI"
 "LUNA" (AKS) "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" ()
 "GAMBLE" (LM) "MINLANAD" (ARG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "DUNTHOON"
 "GEN. H. L. SCOTT" (AP) "MERKUR" (AF) 1 AFD: 10

Milne Bay:
Escorts 9 : 2 PC : 479, 1131 2 ML : 806, 817 1 HDML: 1338
 4 SC : 732, 735, 736, 1274
Auxiliaries 10 : "CLAN LAFONT" (APA) "GANYMEDE" (AK) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCREL" (AT)
 "PONTUS" (AGP) 1 AL: 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFD: 5, 12

Port Moresby:
Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 810
Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/26:

Nil.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 6 : 1 DE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 2 YMS: 259, "TUI"
Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP: "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
Escorts 3 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS: 95 1 PC : 606
Auxiliaries 4 : 2 YP : 348, 520 1 AK : "ALKALD" 1 AG : "CAP DES PALMES"

Brokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP : 515

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGM
Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS: 47
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS: "KIWI" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
Auxiliaries 1 : "DRACO" (AK)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/26:

- (1) "COLAC" (AMS) departed Cairns 1100/24 for Milne Bay due 1100/26.
- (2) "SWAN" (PS) departed Sydney 0827/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1700/26.
- (3) "YUNNAN" (AE) with tow departed Caloundra 1400/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/27.
- (4) "STAWELL" (AMS) departed Caloundra 1700/23 for Milne Bay ETA 1600/27.
- (5) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0950/22 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/30.
- (6) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (7) "WILCANNIA" (A/S) departed Sydney 1135/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0700/27.
- (8) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Aitape.
- (9) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (10) "SC.1039,1266" departed Santo 1200/24 for Sydney ETA 1200/30.
- (11) "GEORGE" (DE) departed Sydney 1221/23 for Purvis ETA 2359/27.
- (12) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) was to depart Sydney about 25 Oct for Brisbane.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERCURBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AGS: "VIGILANT"

Cairns:

Escorts 9 : 2 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "GLADSTONE" 1 SC : 699
 6 ML : 426, 428, 431, 802, 816, 818
Auxiliaries 3 : "PIRE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFD: 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "GLENEARN" (APA)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MONADNOCK"
5 SS : "DASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "CAR" "GUAVINA" "S.42"
Escorts 13 : 1 AMS: "WHYALLA" 3 HDML: 1129, 1324, 1329 1 A/S: "KYBRA"
8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 811, 805, 820, 821
Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "WRIGHT" (AV) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
"MONTEREY" (AP) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "LOTHIAN" (APA) 1 YP:420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
1 D : "STUART"
2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
Escorts 8 : 1 PS : "WARREGO" 3 ML : 819, 822, 823 1 A/S: "YANDRA"
2 AMS: "KARUNDA" "BUNDABERG" 1 FG : 1138
Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
"EVANGELINE" (XAPC) "OCTORARA" (IX)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "BALLART" (AMS)
2 HDML: 1340, 1352
Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. W. M. MITCHELL" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "DATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/26:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 22 SS : "ANGLER" "BATFISH" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "BLACKFIN" "BLUEGILL"
"CODIA" "COD" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "MINGO"
"PORPOISE" "SIRDAR" "ROCK" "GUITARRO" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY"
"TANTALUS"
On Passage 20 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "TARGO" "DARGER" "REDFIN" "DAYA" "CAVALLA"
"SPITEFUL" "STURDY" "DECUNA" "HAWKBILL" "SEA ROVER" "HARDHEAD"
"ZWAARDFISCH" "MUSKELLUNGE" "CROWLER" "HAKE" "GUNNEL" "HOE" "K.15"

(2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "MURADA" departed Darwin 0955/22 for Thursday Is.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 8 : "ECHUGA" "CASTLEMAINE" "JUNEE" "HORSHAM" (AMS) 4 ML: 429, 812, 814
907

Millingimbi:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/26:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(2) "BUNBURY" (AMS) departed Adelaide 1400/24 for Bunbury ETA PM 29 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:slow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 DD : "NIZAM" "QUICKMATCH"
6 SS : "CREVALLE" "HADDO" "JACK" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
7 AMS: "DUBNO" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "PARKES"
"WARRNAMDOOL"
1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MILDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
1 ARD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

(1) E. Coast Philippines - Further details concerning the actions in the Leyte Gulf area 25 Oct. may be divided into 2 phases: firstly, the action with the enemy force which proceeded through Mindanao Sea and which was engaged in the Southern Leyte Gulf-Surigao Strait area early A.M. 25 Oct. and secondly the action with the enemy force which had proceeded through San Bernardino Strait and which was engaged off S.E. Samar Is.

The first phase commenced at about midnight 24-25 Oct. at the S.E. entrance Surigao Strait when the enemy force comprising probably 2 battleships 3 cruisers and a number of destroyers was contacted by our light surface craft. At approx. 0200/25 Oct. this enemy force was engaged by 7th Fleet battleship/cruiser Task Group in Southern Leyte Gulf Surigao Strait and at 0500/25 Oct. the enemy force retired Southward leaving 4 ships burning. Our forces closed and sank these ships. A later report indicates that 8 enemy units were found burning in Southern Surigao Strait when our surface forces arrived next morning and of these 7 sank. Aircraft from 7th Fleet aircraft carriers attacked enemy remnants after daybreak and claim to have sunk 1 battleship 1 destroyer. Details of the number of enemy units involved in this action are confusing but it is recalled that the original force approaching through Mindanao Sea comprised a total of about 20 ships including probably 2-3 battleships 4-5 heavy cruisers 1 light cruiser and 10-12 destroyers and although some were damaged by attacking carrier-borne aircraft A.M. 24 Oct. the majority of this group probably reached Surigao Strait; survivors from enemy ships sunk were captured and those may later aid in identification of units concerned but no clear estimate can be made at the moment.

The second force which proceeded through Sibuyan Sea and San Bernardino Strait was originally estimated to comprise 3-4 battle ships 6 heavy cruisers, 3 light cruisers and 12 destroyers and was attacked by 3rd Fleet carrier-borne aircraft A.M. 24 Oct. hits were claimed with bombs and/or torpedoes on all 3-4 battleships including 1 "Yamato" class and 1 "Kongo" class and on 3 heavy cruisers: 1 light cruiser was reported to have been torpedoed and capsized. The bulk of this force however, appears to have proceeded through San Bernardino Strait as at approx. 0600/25 Oct. enemy heavy surface units were engaged by a 7th Fleet escort carrier Task Group off S.E. Samar Is.: the enemy force at this time is reported to have included 3-4 battleships cruisers and destroyers. Aircraft from these escort carriers claim to have damaged 1 battleship and 1 cruiser during the first assault and the enemy force retired temporarily to the N.E. At approx. 1030/25 Oct. the enemy Task Force launched another attack on the escort carrier groups but again failed to break through into Leyte Gulf where our convoys were assembled. At about this time the first 4 strikes by a 3rd Fleet Aircraft Carrier Task Group hit the enemy Task Force. During these 4 strikes between 0930 and 1320/25 Oct. preliminary reports indicate that 3 enemy battleships were hit and 1 heavy cruiser sunk. Apparently after this the enemy retired Northward and at 1735/25 Oct. a force reported to comprise 4 battleships 2 cruisers and 7 destroyers was sighted by aircraft off N.E. Samar Is. heading Westwards apparently making for San Bernardino Strait. In the meantime at 1705/25 Oct. a strike by aircraft from the 3rd Fleet Task Group found 1 heavy cruiser in San Bernardino Strait and hit this unit with 3 torpedoes leaving her dead in the water.

Further reports night 25-26 Oct. confirm that enemy remnants were retiring both in the Sibuyan Sea and Mindanao Sea.

A fast battleship group from 3rd Fleet swept Southward from San Bernardino Strait Night 25-26 Oct. and shortly before 0200/26 Oct. located and finished off an enemy vessel reported to be a heavy or light cruiser.

As indicated above reports of the 2 actions are yet incomplete and no clear estimate of the damage inflicted on the enemy can as yet be ascertained but at least his 2 strong battleships Task Groups were prevented from reaching our concentration of shipping in Leyte Gulf and he suffered severe damage in the attempt. Losses and damage were also suffered by our forces.

(2) N. Luzon - Detailed composition of enemy aircraft carrier Task Force engaged by 3rd Fleet Task Groups approx. 250 miles E. of Northern Luzon at dawn 25 Oct. was not reported but there is no mention made of the 2 "Shokaku" class carriers sighted the previous day. 2 battleships (or possibly converted "Ise" type units), 1 heavy 2 light cruisers and 2 destroyers were all reported damaged as a result of the strike and to be retiring on course 330°, speed 22 knots. At 2100/25 Oct. an enemy force reported to comprise 1 or 2 battleships, 2 cruisers and 3-4 destroyers were sighted approx. 300 miles N.E. of N.E. Luzon course 200°.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (2) N. Luzon (Contd.) - Probably after dark 25 Oct. a cruiser/destroyer force from 5th Fleet swept the scene of the action and reported sinking 1 aircraft carrier (converted cruiser type) and 1 large destroyer or light cruiser which remained in the area crippled.
- (3) Leyte - On 25 Oct. in the Tacloban sector amphibious point to point landings were made at Beluarte Point (N. coast Leyte Is.), at points on both sides of San Juanita Passage and at 1 point on Sarar Is. at the Southern end of San Juanita Passage. These landings were conducted either unopposed or against light opposition only. In the vicinity of Pala, stiff enemy resistance and determined though small enemy counter-attacks are being experienced.
- In the advance inland from Dulag our forces have secured the 3 airfields at San Pablo and were fighting on Bureau airdrome at midnight 24-25 Oct.
- Enemy casualties to 24 Oct. total over 3600 killed and 75 prisoners have been taken: of these 2200 have been killed and 67 captured in the Tacloban sector and 1400 killed 8 captured in the Dulag sector. Our casualties have been comparatively light
- (4) Visayas - During 24 Oct. 7th Fleet escort carrier Task Groups E. of Leyte flew 190 sorties in support of ground troops including sweeps over the Visayas area generally. During the course of these sweeps 1 enemy aircraft was destroyed in the air and 25 destroyed plus 30 damaged on the ground: 1 sea truck, 7 luggers were sunk and 1 sea truck, 1 tug, 9 small craft damaged. Also during 24 Oct. the beachheads at Leyte and shipping offshore were twice attacked by enemy aircraft including fighters, dive bombers and medium bombers involving approx. 40 aircraft on each occasion; preliminary reports indicate that 39 medium bombers, 7 single engine aircraft were shot down by our fighter cover and 7 medium bombers probably shot down. Our losses totalled 4 fighters of which 3 pilots were rescued.
- (5) N.W. Luzon - At 1200/25 Oct. a convoy comprising 4 large cargo vessels and 5 escorts was sighted off N.W. coast Luzon course 60°.
- At 1940/25 Oct. probably the same convoy was sighted again in the same general area on course 180°.
- (6) Western Philippines - At 0200/24 Oct. a U. S. submarine reported 1 damaged "Atago" class cruiser and 2 destroyers near S. End Palawan Passage course 210°, speed 6 knots, confirming that at least 1 such unit was crippled by a submarine attack in this area the night before.
- Aircraft over the Manila area 24 Oct. sighted 1 damaged "Aoba" class cruiser and 1 large destroyer or possibly "Natori" class cruiser outside Manila Bay confirming the success of the attack by U. S. submarine on a heavy cruiser early A.M. 23 Oct.
- At 1200/24 Oct. 19 large ships and 8 small ships were observed entering Manila Bay.

EAST INDIES

- Morotai - Enemy contacts were reported again 24 Oct. on the perimeter S.W. Morotai.
- At 0044/24 Oct. 2 enemy aircraft were over Morotai but no attack was carried out.
- (2) S.W. Celebes - At 0100/24 Oct. Catalinas over Makassar saw 2 escort vessels and 3 medium merchant ships in Makassar Harbor.
- (3) Timor - A.M. 25 Oct. road targets in S.W. Timor were attacked by 6 Beauforts.
- (4) Ambon Area - On 24 Oct. Boela oil installations were again attacked by 11 Bostons 1 Liberator, Old Namlea was attacked by 11 Lightnings and other targets in the general Ambon area were attacked by 14 Lightnings 6 Bostons and 32 Kittyhawks.
3. NEW GUINEA - Enemy held airdromes possibly being used for staging were again attacked by Bostons and Thunderbolts 24 Oct. particularly Babo, Sagan and Ottiwiri. On 25 Oct. enemy positions in the Sagar area were attacked by 43 Bostons.
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - Night 23-24 Oct. Rabaul was bombed by 1 Mitchell and Kavieng by 2 Mitchells. On 24 Oct. enemy concentrations inland from the Torokina perimeter were attacked by 13 Dauntless 40 Corsairs but otherwise offensive patrols only were conducted over the area neutralizing Corsairs Dauntless and Mitchells.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NAMPO SHOTO - At 1050/24 Oct. a convoy comprising 1 freighter (5000 ton) with 3 escorts including 1 possible destroyer was sighted by aircraft 100 Miles N.N.W. of Chichi Jima course 300°.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Strong enemy Surface Task Forces defeated Leyte Gulf area.
- (2) Enemy Aircraft Carrier Force retires toward Empire after strike by Blue Task Force.
- (3) Satisfactory progress Leyte land operations.
- (4) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

(Incl. Mandates)

<u>BB</u>	(6)	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND	MISSISSIPPI PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-
<u>CVE</u>	(24)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY	KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NATOMA BAY	OMMANEY BAY PETROF BAY RUDYERD BAY SAGINAW BAY SANGAMON SANTEE	SAVO ISLAND SITKOH BAY SUWANNEE THETIS BAY WHITE PLAINS WINDHAM BAY	-
<u>CL</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS	PORTLAND	SHROPSHIRE
<u>CL</u>	(9)	ADELAIDE BOISE	COLUMBIA DENVER	#HOBART HONOLULU	NASHVILLE PHOENIX	TROMP -
<u>AV</u>	(3)	CURRITUCK	TANGIER	WRIGHT		-
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	BELKNAP CHINCOTEAGUE	GOLDSBOROUGH HALF MOON	HERON ORCA	SAN CARLOS SAN PABLO	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ABBOTT ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON ARUNTA AULICK A.W. GRANT BACHE BADGER BEALE BLACK BRAINE BRYANT BUSH CALDWELL CAPPS CHAUNCEY CLAXTON CLEMSON COGLAN CONY CONYGHAM	C.T. BADGER DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR DRAYTON EDWARDS ERBEN EVANS FLETCHER FLUSSER FRANKS GANSEVOORT HAILEY HALE HAGGARD HALFORD HALL HALLIGAN HARADEN HARRISON HAZELWOOD	HEERMAN H.L. EDWARDS HOEL HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS ISHERWOOD JENKINS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON KIDD KILLEN LAMSON LANG LEUTZE MACDONOUGH MACKEE MCCORD MCDERMOTT	MCGOWAN MCNAIR MAHAN MEEVEN MERTZ MONSSEN MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN NEWCOMB NICHOLAS O'BANNON PENNION PICKING RATHBURNE REID REMEY RUSSELL SCHROEDER STEVENS	ROBINSON ROSS R.P. LEARY SIGOURNEY SHAW SIGSBEE SPROSTON SMITH STACK STEMBEL STUART TAYLOR THATCHER THORN TRATHEN TWIGGS VENETTA WALKER WARRAMUNGA WELLES WILKES RINGGOLD
<u>SS</u>	(17)	BASHAW DACE FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA K.9 K.12	NARWHAL NAUTILUS POLLACK	SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 10
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (CONT)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>AKA</u> (71)	ALMAAK (AKA)	DOYEN (APA)	MANOORA (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>	ALSHAIN	ELMORE	MONROVIA	
<u>APD</u>	ALYCON	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	ORMSBY	
	AQUARIUS	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	PIERCE	
	CAPRICORNUS	FAYETEE	PRES. HAYES	
	DIPHDA	F. FUNSTON	SHERIDAN	
	ELECTRA	FREMONT	SUMTER	
	O'HARA	FULLER	WARREN	
	THUGAN	GLENEARN	WAYNE	
	ALPINE (APA)	GOLDEN CITY	WESTRALIA	
	A. T. MIDDLETON	HARRIS	WINDSOR	
	BARNSTABLE	HEYWOOD	W. P. BIDDLE	
	BAXTER	H. T. ALLEN	BROOKES (APD)	
	BOLIVAR	J. F. BELL	CROSBY	
	CALLAWAY	JAMES O'HARA	HERBERT	
	CALVERT	KANIMBLA	HUMPHREYS	
	CAMBRIAN	KNOX	KANE	
	CAVALIER	LEEDSTOWN	KILTY	
	CLAN LAMONT	LELAND	MANLEY	
	CLAY	LEON	OVERTON	
	CLEMSON	LEONARD WOOD	SANDS	
	CLUSTER	LEO OLYMAN	SCHLEY	
	CRESCENT CITY	LOTHIAN	TALBOT	
		LAMAR	WARD	
<u>AGC</u> (5)	APPALACHIAN BLUE RIDGE	MOUNT OLYMPUS ROCKY MOUNT	WASATCH	-
<u>AS</u> (3)	HOLLAND	ORION	OTUS	-
<u>AD</u> (4)	DOBBIN PIEDMONT	SIERRA	WHITNEY	
<u>AR</u> (4)	BRIAREUS MEDUSA	PLATYPUS	RIGEL	
<u>ARB</u> (1)	MIDAS			
<u>ARC</u> (4)	CEBU CULEBRA ISLAND	MINDANAO	OGLALA	
<u>ARH</u> (1)	JASON			
<u>AL</u> (3)	ACHILLES	AMYCUS	REMUS	
<u>ARS</u> (3)	CABLE	PRESERVER	VENT	
<u>ASD</u> (10)	ASHLAND BELLEGROVE CARTER HALL CASA GRANDE EPPING FOREST	GUNSTON HALL LINDENWALL OAKHILL RUSHMORE WHITE MARSH		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific area)

	# ALLIED FORCES			Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire *KONGO
<u>BB</u>	(14) ALABAMA COLORADO IDAHO INDIANA ICWL	MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NORTH CAROLINA	*OKLANOMA SOUTH DAKOTA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN	(6) FUSO HARUNA MUSASHI NAGATO YAMASHIRO YAMATO	
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	(2) HYUGA ISE	
<u>CV</u>	(12) BUNKER HILL ENTERPRISE ESSEX FRANKLIN	HANCOCK HORNET INTREPID LEXINGTON	SARATOGA TICONDEROGA WASP YORKTOWN	-	(5) AMAGI HAYATAKA TAIHO UNRYU ZUIKAKU
<u>CVL</u>	(9) BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD CABOT	COWPENS INDEPENDENCE LANGLEY	MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO	-	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HCSHO RYUHO (poss.sunk) ZUIHO
<u>CVE</u>	(25) ADMIRALTY ISLAND ALTAMAHA ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BRETON BUCARELI BAY CASABLANCA COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR HOLLANDIA KWAJALEIN LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MUNDA NASSAU	PRINCE WILLIAM ROI SALAMAUA SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY STEAMER BAY TULAGI	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE BCSTON CHESTER	INDIANAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA	SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO	(2) AOBA ATAGO CHIKUMA CHOKAI HAGURO KUMANO MAYA MOGAMI MYOKO SUZUYA TAKAO TONE	(2) ASHIGARA NACHI
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND DETROIT HOUSTON *LEANDER	MIAMI MOBILE MONPELLIER OAKLAND RALEIGH RENO	RICHMOND SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS TRENTON VINCENNES	(4) KINU KITAGAMI (poss.sunk) NOSHIRO YAHAGI	(6) ABUKUMA ISUZU KISO OYODO SAKAWA TAMA
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 150			25	25 (several re- pairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ENEMY FORCES
Indian Ocean

BB	-	(4) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH RENOWN VALIANT	-		
	-	(3) ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE VICTORIOUS	-		
CVE	-	(6) AMEER ATHELING BATTLER	BEGUM SHAH UNICORN		
CA	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK		
CL	-	(7) ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE		
CVS	-	ALBATROSS	-		
CL	-	(2) CANTON	CHITRAL		
DD	(2) NIZAM	QUICKMATCH	Approx. 27		
SS	(49)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BREEM CERO COBIA COD CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR K.14 K.15	CREVALLE FLASHER GROWLER GUITARO GUNNEL GURNARD HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY 0.19 ZWAARDFISCH	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS MAIDSTONE	Approx. 16 10 (poss. all German)
AS	(3) EURYALE	GRIFFIN			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	SOLOMONS BISMARCKS	NEW GUINEA	EAST INDIES	PHILIPPINES	MANDATES
Fighters	-	-	110	110	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	48	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	88	58	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	57	33	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	317	277	19

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 1003

Date 27 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/27:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
Task Group 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
77.3 (Close Covering Group)
77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Forces 78 and 79:-

(i) Echelon L6 (19 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AN 4 PF)
Echelon L7 (22 AT 1 IX 1 PF)
Echelon L8 (Group 1)
(ii) Task Group 78.10 (20 LST 1 DD 1 PF)
Task Group 78.11 (17 LST 2 PC 1 PF)
Task Group 78.12 (1 PC)
Task Group 78.2.4 (2 AKA 19 LST 4 DD)
Task Group 79.14.4 (1 AGC 1 AP 1 LSV 2 DD)
Task Group 79.14.5 (1 ATF 1 ARS 1 DD 1 AT plus LST and LCI)
Task Group 79.14.6 (2 AKA 2 APA 2 DD 3 DMS)
Task Group 79.14.7 (2 APA 1 APD 1 APH 1 DD)
Task Group 79.14.8 (1 AGC 3 APA 1 AP 2 AKA 2 AK 1 LSD 1 DM 2 DMS)
Task Group 79.14.9 (13 LST 4 PC 1 DD)
Task Group 70.6 (1 CL 2 AVD 1 DD)

(2) Task Force 72

On Patrol 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "NAUTILUS" "CERO" "PERMIT"
On Passage 5 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "NARWHAL"

(3) "THETIS BAY" (CVE) departed Manus 0900/26 for Majneo ETA 1400/30.

(4) "GANYMEDE" (AK) departed Milne Bay 0600/24 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1500/27.

(5) "TRINITY" (AO) departed Manus 0800/24 for Woendi ETA 1300/27.

(6) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with 5 tow departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.

(7) "BINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(8) "ML.819" departed Port Moresby 0525/23 for Daru, calling coastal ports en route and returning to Port Moresby about 28 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units
Escorts

29 PT
8

: "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "HAWKESBURY"
"MACHIAS" (PF) "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "DROOME" (AMS)

Horotai (Cont)

Auxiliaries 30 : 1 AV : "TINGLER" 2 VF : "ORCA" "SAM PAILO" 1 AGP : "HDBJACK"
 15 P/A 2 YEL 2 YPT 2 YPL 2 YO 2 XOG 1 YP : 236

Sensor:
 Combat units 3 PT

Moore:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AS : "COMBAT"
 Auxiliaries 2 : 2 AG : "SUSQUEHANNA" "SANTONCHIE"

Richmond:
 Combat units 2 SS : "RAY" "ANTON"
 44 PT
 Escorts 2 : "LITGO" (AS) "WELSH" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 19 : "ORION" (AS) "MILCO" "POLTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP) "KUNDT" (P)
 "VICTORIA" (AO) "AIC GRAMER" "MANTON" "SABONK" (AG) "LINA"
 (AI) "LINDS" (ARL) "TALINGULU" (AK) "MAYAT" (IK) "VIGGO" (LF)
 "TETTER" (IN) 2 YEL : 237, 270 2 YPL

Waffin:
 Escorts 2 : "ROCKINGTON" "GLENELG" (AS)

Rumboldt:
 Combat units 9 DD : "KID" "BLACK" "WILSON" "KNOT" "HUGHES" "SIGSBE" "MILSON"
 "LINC" "JENKINS"
 Escorts 26 : 3 AS : "COCHRANE" "TOWNSVILLE" "DELOMINE"
 7 YLS : 3, 4, 47, 51, 233, 334, 334
 5 PC : 64, 695, 112, 1137, 1100 6 SC : 695, 703, 730, 743, 745, 748

Auxiliaries 75 : "F. FURSTON" "SHIRAZ" "ALPINE" "CUSTER" "KNOX" "DOLIVER"
 "BOYER" "TIMOTHY" "FRYETTE" "CROSBY" "LEWISTON" "DUPAGE"
 "WYNE" "FULLER" (AP) "GEN. H.L. SCOTT" "STALIGHT" (AP) "HILMOOR"
 "AUSTRALIA" "KIMBLE" (LSI) "CHEPCHET" "BISHOP" (AO) "HERON"
 (AVP) "BIPHA" "ALCYON" "MILACK" (ARL) "SHRELLIN" (AG)
 "HOBENS" (AS) "LOCHIN" (AI) "HILAS" (AK) "METSUYCKEL" "TASHMAN"
 (AI) "ORLE" (AS) "CHETCO" "RESERVE" "HILITA" "SHIRLEY" (AI)
 "MELICA" (YO) "CIMPION" (AI) "CULERA ISLAND" (AG) "POYING"
 "PYRO" (AE) "MYCOS" (ARL) "EMILLE" (AS) "OTUS" (AS) "ST. L."
 (AI) "GALLIES" (AI) "VILLALONGS" "ETEMIN" (IK) "SATHLE" (IN)
 "BUTCHER" (CGO) "CASA GRANDE" "LIME BURN" "BELLE GROVE"
 "SHILLY" (LS) "CATSKILL" (LSV) "OVERTON" "BLIND" "BROOKS"
 "SLES" "GOLD'S CROUCH" "KANE" (AP) 2 YEL 1 ATR : 31
 2 YPL : 7, 12 4 YEL : 11, 16, 24, 25 5 YP : 215, 240, 253, 291, 292

Atago:
 Escorts 2 : 1 AG : 1132 1 AS : "KATOCH" (P)

Chiraltics:
 Combat units 1 CV : "BUNKER HILL"
 2 DD : "MORNING STAR" "CAPE ESPERANCE"
 1 CA : "AUSTRALIA"
 11 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "GILLESPIE" "CANDRELL" "COCHLAN"
 "WAGNER" "STEPHEN POTTER" "LENNAY" "GENSEVOORT" "LINDSE"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 4 PT

Escorts 27 : 7 AE : "ALAMITY" "BICKEN" "MILSON" "CARMA"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "MILBY" "HARRIS" 1 DE : 327
 1 AS : "MILBY" 2 SC : 747, 902 2 PC : 500, 1124
 14 YLS : 2, 6, 9, 10, 46, 48, 53, 97, 313, 315, 316, 319, 336, 393

Auxiliaries 55 : "MANLEY" "TALOT" (AP) "J.F. BELL" "CALVERT" "HEYWOOD" "FELAN"
 "HOLLOVIA" (AP) "GOLDEN CITY" (AP) "CACAPON" "MESHANIC"
 "CALLATE" "ESCALA" "CHERRIS" (AO) "OCTANS" (AI) "J. SON"
 (ARL) "CHU" (AG) "PASQUOTANK" (AG) "MIRASUS" "FELUS" (AI)
 "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AI) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATERMOR" (AS)
 "MOUNT HICKINLEY" (AG) "TORCHWOOD" (AI) "MOS" "GRUK" "MILBY"
 "CETUS" "LYMAN" "MINDRAY" "SIGITARIUS" "PHO OS" "COLES"
 "SHIRLEY" (AK) "LEOPOLD" "M. BEN DORIS" "MILMILLO" "PORCUPINE"
 "MORNING" (IK) "MIL" "TERRA" "TALIA" (AI) "WHITNEY" "SERRA"
 "PILMONT" (AI) "MOUNT HOOL" (AE) 2 AS : 1 YPL : 8
 2 YPL : 19, 20 3 YP : 200, 200, 535

Alorshafon-Hadeng:
 Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 YPL : 302, 312, 325 1 YLS : "PRIM JANI"
 5 AS : "STRUBIN" "GOULURN" "WAGA" "GEEBONG" "LATROBE"

Auxiliaries 5 : "ROCK" "LARK" (AI) "PING" (ASIS) "MAYO" (AI) 1 YP : 504

Cardinal:
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121
 Auxiliaries 1 : "MILBY" (AP)

Langonak:

Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "ARCOO" 1 AS : "GHEPIL" 3 PC : 210, 505, 1591
 2 YS : 329, 401 5 SC : 659, 734, 739, 750, 901
 Auxiliaries 11 : "CLYDE" (IK) "LASE HANSEN" (LC) "RACE POINT" "KINGFISHER" (AT)
 "CAPTAIN SALVOR" (AS) "GENTLE" (IK) "HIM AWAC" (AG) "HELENA"
 (AT) "DULL WHEEL" (YO) "UNLOCK" (AP) 1 AF : 10

Hilno Bay:

Escorts 13 : 2 AS : "COLLO" "STABLE" 1 PS : "SWAN" 1 AS : "HELENA"
 2 PC : 479, 1131 2 IL : 806, 817 1 HAL : 1330
 Auxiliaries 10 : "CLAN LIONN" (PA) "SPRINGHILL" "TANCORE" (IT) "PONTUS" (AGP)
 "CAPTAIN SALVOR" (AS) 1 AL : 9 2 YP : 239, 449
 2 AL : 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 1 : 1 IL : 110
 Auxiliaries 2 : "JINER" (AS) "ST GILES" (IT)

2. SOLOMONS(c) at Sea to 1200/27:

- (1) "TIGER" (LD) proceeding from Green Is to Eirau was due 0700/27.
- (2) "HELENA" (LD) departed Tulagi 1000/26 for Torokina ETA 20 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Eirau:

Escorts 6 : 1 EE : "STANTON" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 2 YS : 259, "TUT"
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP : "JULIESTOWN" 1 AP : "STANTON"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 3 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YS : 95 1 PC : 606
 Auxiliaries 5 : 2 YP : 34, 520 "ALKAL" (IK) "CAPTAIN SALVOR" (AG)
 1 AS : "ANTARES"

Torokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1100, 1590 1 EE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 590, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 3 : 1 YP : 515 1 AL : "DILCO" 1 AP : "CALISTON"

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 PGH
 Escorts 6 : 1 EE : "PAUL G. BAUM" 1 PC : 605 1 YS : 47
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 340

Hunda:

Escorts 6 : 1 PC : 1129 1 YS : "KINT" 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) at Sea to 1200/27:

- (1) "WRIGHT" (LV) was to depart Brisbane 2200/26 for Hilno Bay ETA 1100/30.
- (2) "JUNGLE" (CH) departed Sydney 0950/22 for Hilno Bay ETA 1000/30.
- (3) "VENUS" (LK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (4) "CHALLENGER" (AS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Mitape.
- (5) "WHITE BEAR" (AS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (6) "SC.1039,1266" departed Santo 1200/24 for Sydney ETA 1200/30.
- (7) "GEORGE" (AS) departed Sydney 1221/23 for Purvis ETA 2359/27.
- (8) "HIL.1353" departed Sydney 1135/25 for Brisbane ETA Caloundra ETA 1500/27.
- (9) "CALISTON" (AS) departed Sydney 0025/25 for Brisbane ETA Caloundra 1500/27.
- (10) "GOLSTON" (AG) was to depart Sydney about 25 Oct for Brisbane.

(b) In Harbour:Morako:

Escorts 2 : 2 YS : "SIENCO" "HENDRICKS"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 2 : 2 AS : "PINE" "FRENCH"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AS)

Calms:

Escorts 6 : 1 AS : "WILCOX" 6 IL : 426, 42, 431, 802, 800, 811 1 SC : 699
 Auxiliaries 3 : "WIDE ISLAND" (IT) "EMPIRE SPANISH" (PA) 1 AL : 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (LGS) "GILBERT" (LPA)

London:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HERCULES" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 1 CM : "MORNINGSTAR"
5 SS : "DART" "FLYING" "GIR" "GUY" "S.42"
Escorts 13 : 1 LIS: "MAY" 3 HIL: 1129, 1324, 1329 1 L/S: "MAY"
CIL: 424, 425, 404, 11, 105, 120, 121
Auxiliaries 7 : "STOLIN" (L) "CROWN OLET" (L) "RESOLUTE" (COC) "LOTBIAT" (LPA)
"MONTAGNE" (L) "CAPT. LEBLANC" (LGS) 1 YP: 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 EL : "MORRIS" (refitting) "TROPIC"
1 DE : "STURM"
2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
Escorts 9 : 1 PS: "MIRAGE" 4 HIL: 110, 119, 122, 123 1 PC: 113
2 LIS: "KAPUR" "MIRAGE" 1 L/S: "Y.11"
Auxiliaries 6 : "MIGEL" (L) "POINT LON" "CHIFFIN" (L) "MIRAGE" (L)
"EVANGELINE" (KPC) "OCTOBER" (L)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 OCL : "MIRAGE"
Escorts 5 : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" (L/S) "MIRAGE" (LIS)
2 HIL: 134, 1352
Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATON" (L) "GEN. J. H. MITCHELL" (L)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 LIS: "MIRAGE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/27:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 22 SS : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE"
"MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE"
On Passage 20 SS : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE"
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(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Escorts 6 : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" (LIS)
4 HIL: 429, 112, 114, 907

Millingimbi:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 HIL: 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/26:

- (1) "MIRAGE" (LIS) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Esmerald Gulf.
- (2) "MIRAGE" (LIS) departed Adelaide 1400/24 for Darwin ETA PM 29 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:

Onglow:

Escorts 2 : 1 LIS: "MIRAGE" 1 HIL: 115

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 SS : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE"
6 SS : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE"
Escorts 12 : 1 PS: "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS: "S. VONCHIN DE BRASSE"
7 LIS: "DUCO" "MILDUR" "LUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "PARRIS"
"MIRAGE"
1 SC: 729 1 HIL: 112 2 LIS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries 6 : "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" "MIRAGE" (LIS) "MIRAGE" (PY)
1 HIL: 10 1 YP: 236

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Our forces which have pushed inland from Dulag to secure the airdromes along the Dulag-Burauen road have captured the airdromes around San Pablo as previously reported and probably Burauen also, although not specifically so reported. Patrols were operating South, West and North Burauen on 25 Oct. and fighting was in progress for Bayug and Malabak airdromes.

Another thrust has been initiated Westwards along the highway from Palo and a third in the same direction along the road from Tanauan. This area is approx. midway between Dulag and Tacloban.

Enemy aircraft continued on 25 Oct. to launch heavy air strikes against shore positions and ships in Leyte Gulf: some ships in the harbor sustained damage, an ammunition dump at Dulag was set on fire and another ammunition and fuel dump at San Ricardo was set on fire.

- (2) W. Coast Leyte - At 0558/26 Oct. a group of enemy ships described as 1 heavy cruiser 6 destroyers was sighted by aircraft off Ormoc (W. coast Leyte) heading into Ormoc Harbor. This group is considered to be a transportation group probably mainly small ships carrying reinforcements into Leyte.
- (3) E. Coast Philippines - Little further detail is available concerning the naval actions in the Leyte Gulf night 24-25 Oct. and off E. coast Samar Is. during 25 Oct. Evidence available indicates that at least 1 of the 2 enemy battleships which participated in the Surigao Strait Battle was sunk but probably the majority of the other 8-12 ships claimed sunk by daybreak 25 Oct. were not larger than destroyers and some are probably enemy PT boats. On 25 and 26 Oct. there were numerous sightings by aircraft of enemy ships retiring Westwards through Mindanao and Sulu Sea. These sightings include:-
- 1 "Matori" class light cruiser probably damaged with accompanying destroyer in the Sindangan Bay area proceeding Westwards.
 - Probably 2 heavy cruisers and some destroyers heading West between Negros Is. and Mindanao.
 - A group of ships described as 2 heavy cruisers, 4 destroyers, 2 landing craft in Southern end Bohol Strait course N.W. (this could be a normal convoy proceeding into Cebu, as suggested by the presence of landing craft).

There are no specific or confirmed reports of battleships retiring in the Visayas-Sulu Sea area although 1 unit described as an "Ise" class battleship was reported by aircraft in Camotes Sea heading S. into Guimaras Strait. This report suggests the possibility that at least 1 converted "Ise" class battleship may have been engaged in the Philippines but evidence is fairly conclusive that only 2 old battle ships of the "Fuso" class were in fact engaged in the Philippines operation (the other 2 - "Ise" and "Hyuga" - being reported with the aircraft carrier force N.E. of Luzon) and these 2 units participated in the Surigao Strait battle. It is considered most unlikely that any unit escaping from Surigao Strait would have gotten into a position to enter Guimaras Strait from the North. It is suggested then that this vessel may in fact have been a crippled "Tone" cruiser retiring from San Bernardino Strait.

The retiring units of the enemy group which proceeded Westwards through San Bernardino Strait night 25-26 Oct. were located by 3rd Fleet aircraft carrier Task Group planes heading S. through Tablas Strait at 0800/26 Oct. The retiring force was then described as 4 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, 3 light cruisers, 10 destroyers proceeding at 15 knots: results of the strikes are not yet available.

Until some clarification is available concerning the enemy units sunk in S. Leyte Gulf action no clear estimate of the total of the entire engagement can be made but claims of definite sinkings include 1 battleship in Surigao Strait and 3 cruisers of which 2 are claimed as heavy. Of the force which proceeded through San Bernardino Strait probably all the other battleships and cruisers were damaged and severely damaged as they would not have retired unless this had been the case and some of these units may have subsequently sunk.

- (4) N.E. Luzon - Claims of the damage inflicted on the enemy aircraft carrier task force which was engaged 200 miles E. of N. Luzon A.M. 25 Oct. are summarized hereunder:-
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| Sunk: | 1 aircraft carrier (Shokaku class) |
| | 3 aircraft carriers (converted cruiser class) |
| | 1 light cruiser or large destroyer |
| | 1 destroyer |
| Damaged: | 2 Battle ships (probably converted Ise type) |
| | 1 heavy cruiser |
| | 3 light cruisers (1 Agano Class 2 Matori class) |
| | 2-3 destroyers |

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (4) N.E. Luzon (Contd.) - The above losses include the aircraft carrier and the large destroyer or light cruiser claimed sunk by the cruiser sweep of the scene of combat night 25-26 Oct.
In addition 2 large probable battleships and 3 smaller ships (probably units of the retiring enemy task force) were located by U. S. submarine M. of the scene of the action P.M. 25 Oct. heading N. and 5 torpedo hits were claimed on one of the battle ships which was believed to have been sunk.
- (5) N.W. Luzon - At 1035/26 Oct. a convoy comprising 3 transports (including at least 1 large) and 5 destroyers was sighted by aircraft heading S. close inshore S.W. of Lingayan Gulf.
- (6) Palawan Is. - On 25 Oct. 2 recon Liberators searched waters around N. Palawan: 1 sea truck was sunk off Northernmost Tip of the Island and another damaged nearby, several small ships and 9 floatplanes were effectively strafed in Puerto Princesa Bay.
At 1100/26 Oct. a convoy comprising 8 ships was sighted by aircraft in N. Balabac Strait course 120°.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - Enemy aircraft were over Morotai night 24 and 25 Oct.: bombs were dropped on the first night and shipping was strafed causing some casualties but on the second night bombs fell clear of targets.
- (2) N.W. Borneo - At approx. 0630/26 Oct. aircraft sighted shipping in Brunai Bay described as 1 heavy cruiser 2 destroyers at least 2 medium merchant ships and 2 sea trucks.
- (3) S. Celebes - At 1135/25 Oct. suspected enemy headquarters at Palopo and Malili in Bone Gulf were attacked by 6 Liberators.
At 1155/25 Oct. Ambesia airdrome was bombed by 23 Liberators which dropped 100 lb. bombs on revetment areas hitting aircraft on the ground.
Photographs of the S. Celebes airdromes A.M. 26 Oct. showed approx. 12 serviceable aircraft on the 8 main airdromes namely, Kendari, Ambesia, Boroboro, Witicola, Pomelaa, Mandai, Limboeng, and Bosloedawang: all these airfields were operational.
- (4) Iolucca Sea - At 1250/25 Oct. a vessel, shown by photographs to be a 'Chidori' class torpedo boat, was attacked by a reconnaissance Liberator 60 miles E. of Boetoeng Is. on course 300°: Bombs missed.
3. NEW GUINEA - On 25 Oct. enemy concentrations in Newak area were attacked by 10 Beauforts and on 26 Oct. by 6 Mitchells 1 Beaufort.
4. BIHERCES - SOLOMONS - Photos 25 Oct. show signs of some activity on Iakunai airdrome: 1 fighter has been moved into a new position.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NANPO SHOTO - At 1150/26 Oct. 1 escort vessel was observed by aircraft 160 miles N.N.W. of Chichi Jima course 330°. At 1500/26 Oct. a convoy of 6 small craft with 1 armed escort was attacked by aircraft 20 miles N.E. of Iwo Jima on course 330°: some barges sustained damage.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ENEMY DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Defeated enemy remnants retiring W. through Philippine waters and N. to Empire, pursued by aircraft and harassed by submarines.
(2) Satisfactory progress Leyte land operations.
(3) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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Distribution:

CinC SWP	(1)	
G-2 Navy	(1)	
G-3 (Navy, Operations)	(2)	G. J. CONNOR
Cin 7th Flt	(2)	Lt. Col. RAINER
Cin SWP Sea Frontier	(2)	S.O.(I) HAWK
Cin Eastern Fleet	(1)	
File	(1)	

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section) ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

BB	(6)	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND	MISSISSIPPI PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		*
CVE	(23)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY	KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NATOMA BAY	OMANEY BAY PETROF BAY RUDYARD BAY SAGINAW BAY SANGAMON SANTEE	SAVO ISLAND SITKOH BAY SUWANNEE THETIS BAY WHITE PLAINS WINDHAM BAY	-
CA	(5)	AUSTRALIA	LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS	PORTLAND	SHROPSHIRE
CL	(9)	ADELAIDE BOISE	COLUMBIA DENVER	#HOBART HONOLULU	NASHVILLE PHOENIX	TROMP -
AV	(3)	CURRITUCK	TANGIER	WRIGHT		-
AVP	(8)	BELKNAP CHINCOTEAGUE	GOLDSBOROUGH HALF MOON	HERON ORCA	SAN CARLOS SAN PABLO	
DD	(107)	ABBOTT ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON ARUNTA AULICK A.W. GRANT BACHE BADGER BEALE BLACK BRAINE BRYANT BUSH CALDWELL CAPPS CHAUNCEY CLAXTON CLEMSON COGHLAN CONY CONYGHAM	C.T. BADGER DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR DRAYTON EDWARDS ERBEN EVANS FLETCHER FLUSSER FRANKS GANSEVOORT HAILEY HALE HAGGARD HALFORD HALL HALLIGAN HARDEN HARRISON HAZELWOOD	HEERMAN H.L. EDWARDS HOEL HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS ISHERWOOD JENKINS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON KIDD KILLEN LANSON LANG LAVALLETT LEUTZE MACDONOUGH MACKEE MCCORD MCDERMOTT	MCGOWAN MCNAIR MAHAN MEEVEN MERTZ MONSSEN MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN NEWCOMB NICHOLAS O'BANNON PENNION PICKING RATHBURNE REID REMEY RUSSELL SCHROEDER STEVENS	ROBINSON ROSS R.P. LEARY SIGOURNEY SHAW SIGSBEE SPROSTON SMITH STACK STEMBEL STUART TAYLOR THATCHER THORN TRATHEN TWIGGS VENETTA WALKER WARRAMUNGA WELLES WILKES RINGGOLD
SS	(17)	BASHAW DACE FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA K.9 K.12	NARWHAL NAUTILUS POLLACK	SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47 10
PT		Approx. 175				-

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (CONT)

		ALLIED FORCES		ENEMY FORCES
		Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)		(Incl. Mandates)
<u>AKA</u>	(71)	ALMAK (AKA)	DOYEN (APA)	MANOORA (APA)
<u>APA</u>		ALSHAIN	ELMORE	MONROVIA
<u>APD</u>		ALYCOE	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	ORMSBY
		AQUARIUS	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	PIERCE
		CAPRICORNUS	FAYETEE	PRES. HAYES
		DIPHDA	F. FUNSTON	SHERIDAN
		ELECTRA	FREMONT	SUMTER
		O'HARA	FULLER	WARREN
		THUGAN	GLENEARN	WAYNE
		ALPINE (APA)	GOLDEN CITY	WESTRALIA
		A. T. MIDDLETON	HARRIS	WINDSOR
		BARNSTABLE	HEYWOOD	W. P. BIDDLE
		BAXTER	H. T. ALLEN	BROOKES (APD)
		BOLIVAR	J. F. BELL	CROSBY
		CALLAWAY	JAMES O'HARA	HERBERT
		CALVERT	KANIMBLA	HUMPHREYS
		CAMBRIAN	KNOX	KANE
		CAVALIER	LEEDSTOWN	KILTY
		CLAN LAMONT	LELAND	MANLEY
		CLAY	LEON	OVERTON
		CLEMSON	LEONARD WOOD	SANDS
		CLUSTER	LEO OLYMAN	SCHLEY
		CRESCENT CITY	LOTHIAN	TALBOT
			LAMAR	WARD
<u>AGC</u>	(5)	APPALACHIAN BLUE RIDGE	MOUNT OLYMPUS ROCKY MOUNT	WASATCH
<u>AS</u>	(3)	HOLLAND	ORION	OTUS
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN PIEDMONT	SIERRA	WHITNEY
<u>AR</u>	(4)	BRIAREUS MEDUSA	PLATYPUS	RIGEL
<u>ARB</u>	(1)	MIDAS		
<u>ARC</u>	(4)	CEBU CULEBRA ISLAND	MINDANAO	OGLALA
<u>ARH</u>	(1)	JASON		
<u>ARS</u>	(3)	ACHILLES	AMYCUS	REMUS
<u>ARS</u>	(3)	CABLE	PRESERVER	VENT
<u>ISD</u>	(10)	ASHLAND BELLEGROVE CARTER HALL CASA GRANDE EPPING FOREST	GUNSTON HALL LINDENWALL OAKHILL RUSHMORE WHITE MARSH	

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific area)

	# ALLIED FORCES			Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire *KONGO
<u>BB</u>	(14) ALABAMA COLORADO IDAHO INDIANA ICWC	MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NORTH CAROLINA	*OKLANOMA SOUTH DAKOTA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN	(6) FUSO HARUNA MUSASHI NAGATO YAMASHIRO YAMATO	
<u>BB/XCV</u>					(2) INUGA ISE
<u>CV</u>	(12) BUNKER HILL ENTERPRISE ESSEX FRANKLIN	HANCOCK HORNET INTREPID LEXINGTON	SARATOGA TICONDEROGA WASP YORKTOWN		(5) AMAGI HAYATAKA TAIHO UNRYU ZUIKAKU
<u>CVL</u>	(8) BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD CABOT	COWPENS INDEPENDENCE LANGLEY	MONTEREY SAN JACINTO		(5) CEITOSE CHIYODA HCSHO RYUHO (poss. sunk) ZUIHO
<u>CVE</u>	(25) ADMIRALTY ISLAND ALTAMAHA ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BRETON BUCARELI BAY CASABLANCA COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR HOLLANDIA KWAJALEIN LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MUNDA NASSAU	PRINCE WILLIAM ROI SALAMAU SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY STEAMER BAY TULAGI	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE BCSTON CHESTER	INDIANAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA	SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO	(2) AOBA ATAGO CHIKUMA CHOKAI HAGURO KUMANO MAYA MOGAMI MYOKO SUZUYA TAKAO TONE	(2) ASHIGARA NACHI
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND DETROIT HOUSTON *LEANDER	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELLIER OAKLAND RALEIGH RENO	RICHMOND SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS TRENTON VINCENNES	(4) KINU KITAGAMI (poss. sunk) NOSHIRO YAHAGI	6 (6) ABUKUMA ISUZU KISO OYODO SAKAWA TAMA
<u>CLT</u>				KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE		(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 150			25	25 (several re- pairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>		?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective
Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>		
Southwest Pacific (Western Section)			Indian Ocean		
<u>BB</u>	-	(4) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH RENOWN VALIANT		-	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE VICTORIOUS		-	
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6) AMEER ATHELING BATTLER	BEGUM SHAH UNICORN	-	
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK	-	
<u>CL</u>	-	(7) ACHILLES CEYLON GAMBIA	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE	-	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS		-	
<u>CL</u>	-	(2) CANTON	CHITRAL	-	
<u>DD</u>	(2) NIZAM	QUICKMATCH		Approx. 27	
<u>SS</u>	(49)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BREAM CERO COBIA COD CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR K.14 K.15	CREVALLE FLASHER GROWLER GUITARO GUNNEL GURNARD HADD O HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS ZWAARDFISCH	Approx. 16
<u>AS</u>	(3)	EURYALE	GRIFFIN	MAIDSTONE	10 (poss. all German)

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
	<u>BISMARCKS</u>				
Fighters	-	-	136	110	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	48	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	88	58	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	57	33	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	343	277	19

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/28:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units 77.1.1	(Fleet Flagship Unit)
77.1.2	(Cruiser Unit)
Task Group 77.2	(Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
77.3	(Close Covering Group)
77.4	(Escort Carrier Group)
77.5	(Minosweeping and Hydrographic Group)
77.6	(Beach Demolition Group)
77.7	(Service Group)

(b) Task Forces 78 and 79:

(i) Echelon L6	(19 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AN 4 PF)
Echelon L7	(22 AT 1 IX 1 PF)
Echelon L8	(Group 1)
(ii) Task Group 78.10	(20 LST 1 DD 1 PF)
Task Group 78.11	(17 LST 2 PC 1 PF)
Task Group 79.14.5	(1 ATF 1 ARS 1 DD 1 AT plus LST and LCI)
Task Group 79.14.6	(2 AKA 2 APA 2 DD 3 DMS)
Task Group 79.14.7	(2 APA 1 APD 1 APH 1 DD)
Task Group 79.14.8	(1 AGC 3 APA 1 AP 2 AKA 2 AK 1 LSD 1 DM 2 DMS)
Task Group 79.14.9	(13 LST 4 PC 1 DD)
Task Group 70.6	(1 CL 2 AMD 1 DD)

(2) Task Force 72:-

On Patrol 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "NAUTILUS" "CERO" "PERMIT"

On Passage 5 SS : "POLLACK" "PADBLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "NARWHAL"

(3) "ARARAT" (AMS) "SC.750" escorting Convoy MK1 ("NASO" "MINTAKA" "ARIDED" (AK) "WELTVIELEN") departed Manus 1600/26 for Kossol Passage ETA 0600/31.

(4) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AMS) with 5 tow departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.

(5) "DINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT

Escorts 8 : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "HAWKESBURY" "MACHIAS" (PF) "KIAMA" "BENDIGO" "BROOME" (AMS)

Auxiliaries 30 : 1 AV : "TANGIER" 2 AVP : "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" 1 AGP : "MOBJACK" 15 AP/AK 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD 2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP : 236

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "COWRA"

Noonfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AG: "SUSQUEHANNA"
Dink-woondi:
 Combat units 2 SS : "RAY" "RATON"
 44 PT
 Escorts 5 : "LITHGOW" "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMB A" "DELOR AINE" (AMS) "BURDEKIN" (PF)
 Auxiliaries 23 : "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (JGP) "KURUMB A" "TRINITY"
 "VICTORIA" (AO) "SAKATONCHEE" "RIO GRANDE" "ELKHORN" "SEEKONK"
 (JCG) "LARK" (AM) "TASMAN" (AH) "CALAMARES" (AF) "TRIANGULUM"
 (AK) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "TEABERRY" (YN) 2 YFD
 2 YP : 237, 238

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 1 : "GLENELG" (AMS)

Hurlt Bay:

Combat units 17 DD : "ISHERWOOD" "C.J.DAEGER" "JOHN ROLGER" "MORRIS" "HOWORTH" "KID" "BLACK" "WALKER" "ABDOT" "HUGHES" "ANDERSON" "LANG" "JENKINS" "FLETCHER" "MURRAY" "HARRISON" "LA VALLETTE"
 Escorts 22 : "COOTAMUNDR A" "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS) "DURLINGTON" "CARSON CITY" (PF)
 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384
 5 PC : 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 6 SC : 695, 703, 738, 743, 745, 748
 Auxiliaries 92 : "LEON" "W.P.DIDDLE" "ARIANE" "SUMPTER" "WARREN" "LAMAR" "WINDSOR" "CALLAWAY" "CRESCENT CITY" "F.FUNSTON" "SHERILAN" "ALPINE" "KNOX" "CUSTER" "BOLIVAR" "DOYEN" "HENRY T. ALLEN" "FAYETTE" "ORMSBY" "LEEDSTOWN" "LUPACE" "WAYEN" "FULLER" (APA) "COMET" "WARHAWK" "STORM KING" "GEN.H.L.SCOTT" "STARLIGHT" (AP) "MANOORA" "KANIMBLA" "WESTRALIA" (LSI) "CHEPACHET" "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "HERON" (AVP) "GANYMELE" (AK) "TITANIA" "ARQUARIUS" "DIPDA" "ALYCONE" "ALMAACK" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" (ACG) "ACUBENS" (AKS) "DOB IN" (AD) "MIDAS" (AR) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CABLE" (AGS) "CHETCO" "RESERVE" "HIDATSU" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "LERRICK" (YO) "CINNAMON" (AN) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "BENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (AS) "STAG" (AW) "APPALACHIAN" (AGC) "VILLALOBOS" "ETAMIN" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "CASA GRANDE" "LINDENWALD" "DELLE GROVE" "ASHLAND" (LSD) "MONITOR" "CATSKILL" (LSV) "BROOKS" "OVERTON" "DELKNAP" "KILTY" "CROSBY" "SANDS" "GOLDSBOROUGH" : "KANE" (APL) 2 YFD 1 ATR: 31 2 ARL: 7, 12 4 AFL: 11, 16, 24, 25 5 YP : 215, 240, 283, 291, 292

Aitape:

Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1132

Admiralties:

Combat units 1 CV : "DUNKER HILL"
 2 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY" "CAPE ESPERANCE"
 1 CA : "AUSTRALIA"
 14 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "RINGGOLD" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL" "COGHLAN" "WARRAMUNGA" "STEPHEN POTTER" "BENHAM" "GANSEVOORT" "DRAINE" "SIGSBEE" "MCKEE"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 4 PT
 Escorts 28 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CABANA" "JAMES E. CRAIG" "LEELE" "PARKES" 1 ML : 827
 2 SC : 747, 982 2 PC : 500, 1124
 16 YMS: 2, 6, 9, 10, 46, 48, 53, 97, 313, 315, 316, 319, 329, 336, 393, 481
 Auxiliaries 53 : "MANLEY" "TALBOT" (APD) "J.F.BELL" "CALVERT" "HEYWOOD" "FELAND" "MONROVIA" (APA) "GOLDEN CITY" (AP) "CACAPON" "NESHANIC" "CALLIENTE" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "OCTANS" (AF) "JASON" (ARL) "CEBU" (ARG) "PASQUOTANK" (AOG) "BRIAREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (AD) "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "CRUX" "CETUS" "LYRA" "SAGITTARIUS" "PHOBOS" "DOOTES" "SHAULA" (AK) "LEOPARD" "ANDREW DORIA" "ARMADILLO" "PORCUPINE" "DARENDA" (IX) "KINGFISHER" "RAIL" "TERN" "TAWADA" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIEDMONT" (AD) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) 2 ASU 1 AFL: 8 2 ARD: 19, 20 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 10 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINDJANI"
 5 AMS: "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "WAGGA" "GEELONG" "LATROBE"
 Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPA" "LAURADADA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP: 504
Cl Gloucester:
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121
 Auxiliaries 1 : "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" (APA)

Langenk:

Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 1 AMS : "GYMPIE" 3 PC : 213, 585, 1591
 4 SC : 659, 734, 739, 981
 Auxiliaries 9 : "CLYDE" (IX) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "GAMBLE" (DM)
 "MINDANAO" (ARG) "MERKUR" (AF) "DULL WHEEL" (YO) "DUNTHOON" (AP)
 1 AFL : 10

Lae:

Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Milne Bay:

Escorts 13 : 2 AMS : "COLAC" "STWELL" 1 PS : "SWAN" 1 A/S : "WILCANNIA"
 2 PC : 479, 1131 2 ML : 806, 817 1 HDML : 1338
 Auxiliaries 10 : "CLAN LAMONT" (APA) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANGRE" (AT) "PONTUS" (AGP)
 "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) 1 AFL : 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFL : 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 810, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/28:

- (1) "PATAPSCO" (AOG) departed Tulagi 1600/26 for Enirau ETA 29 Oct.
- (2) "WHIPSTOCK" (YO) departed Tulagi 1600/27 for Munda ETA 28 Oct.

(b) In Harbour:Enirau:

Escorts 6 : 1 LE : "STADTFELD" 3 SC : 620, 502, 723 2 YMS : 259, "TUI"
 Auxiliaries 4 : 1 YP : 514 1 AGP : "JAMESTOWN" 1 AP : "STRATFORD"
 1 AO : "TIGANAK"

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT :
 Escorts 3 : 1 SC : 1065 1 YMS : 95 1 PC : 606
 Auxiliaries 5 : 2 YP : 348, 520 "ALKAL" (AK) "CAP DES PALMES" (AG) "ANTAREE"
 (AMS)

Troking:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 6 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1242
 Auxiliaries 6 : 1 YP : 515 1 AM : "DRAGO" 1 AP : "ORMISTON" 1 AOG : "METT AREE"

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT :
 6 FGM :
 Escorts 3 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS : 47
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 LE : "GENDREAU" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI"
 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/28:

- (1) "WRIGHT" (AV) was to depart Brisbane 1430/26 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/30.
- (2) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0950/22 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/30.
- (3) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (4) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Brisbane 14 Oct for Aitape.
- (5) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (6) "SC.1039,1266" departed Santo 1200/24 for Sydney ETA 1200/30.
- (7) "ML.426,813" departed Caloundra 1300/26 for Sydney ETA 0600/30.
- (8) "GAMBIA" (CL) departed Fremantle 1930/25 for Port Melbourne ETA 0700/29.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMEROE" "MERD ANDOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS : "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)

Galins:

Escorts 6 : 1 AMS : "KALGOORLIE" 4 ML : 428, 431, 802, 806 1 SC : 699
 Auxiliaries 3 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFL : 3

Perth:
 Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "GLENEARN" (AF4)

Dowen:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AF)

Brisbane:
 Combat units 1 CM : "MONALNOCK"
 5 SS : "DASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "GAR" "GUAVINA" "S.42"
 Escorts 15 : 2 AMS: "GLADSTONE" "WHYALLA" 4 HDML: 1129, 1324, 1329, 1353
 1 A/S: "KYDRA" 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 811, 805, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONCLET" (IX) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "LOTHIAN" (AF4)
 "MONTEREY" (AF) "GABE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) 1 YP: 420

Sydney:
 Combat units 2 CL : "HODART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 DL : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.12" "K.9"
 Escorts 9 : 1 PS : "WARREGO" 4 ML : 810, 819, 822, 823 1 PC : 1138
 2 AMS: "KAPUNDA" "BUNDABERG" 1 A/S: "YANDRA"
 Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AF) "MANUNDA" (AN)
 "EVANGELINE" (XAFG) "OCTORARA" (IX)

Melbourne:
 Combat units 1 CCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "LOOMLA" (A/S) "TALLARAT" (AMS)
 2 HDML: 1340, 1352
 Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. W. M. MITCHELL" (AF)

Adelaide:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "DATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/28:

(1) Task Force 71
 On Patrol 22 SS : "ANGLER" "BATFISH" "BENGALL" "BOWFIN" "BLACKFIN" "BLUEGILL" "COD"
 "CODIA" "GURNARD" "FLASHER" "HAMMERHEAD" "LAPON" "MINGO" "SIRDAR"
 "PORPOISE" "ROCK" "GUITARRO" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY" "TANTALUS"
 On Passage 18 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "BARBERO" "REDFIN" "DAYA" "CAVALLA"
 "SPITEFUL" "HAWKILL" "SEA ROVER" "HARDHEAD" "ZWAARDFISCH" "HAKE"
 "MUSKELLUNGE" "GROWLER" "GUNNEL" "HOE" "K.15"

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:
 Escorts 8 : "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "HOLSHAM" "JUNEE" (AMS)
 4 ML: 429, 812, 814, 907

Millingimbi:
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 ML : 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/28:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.
 (2) "BUNBURY" (AMS) departed Adelaide 1400/24 for Bunbury ETA PM 29 Oct.

(b) In Harbour

Onslow:
 Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "DOWEN" 1 ML : 815

Fremantle:
 Combat units 2 DD : "NIZAM" "QUICKMATCH"
 8 SS : "CREVALLE" "HADDO" "JACK" "PECUNA" "STURDY" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVOIGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 7 AMS: "DUDDO" "MILDURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "PARKES"
 "WARRENWOOD"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MILLSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 1 ARD: 10 1 YP : 286

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Satisfactory progress was made 26 Oct. by our forces operating inland from Dulag: in the vicinity of Burauen all 3 airdromes have been occupied although a large number of land mines were encountered and the enemy put up a number of stubborn delaying rear-guard actions.

On the Northern sector clashes with the enemy have been reported along the W. coast of San Jaunico Strait and in the Palo neighborhood. On Samar Is. our forces are advancing North towards the Salago River after contacting and dispersing a party of some 100 Japs. There have been repeated enemy air attacks on our positions during the last few days, particularly in the Tacloban area and during this period the enemy has held air superiority. Enemy air activity is now reported to be on a diminishing scale.

- (2) N.E. Luzon - Concerning the enemy carrier force contacted E. of Northern Luzon 25 Oct. it is estimated that the force comprised some 16 or 17 units thus:-

- 1 aircraft carrier (Zuikaku)
- 3 converted carriers (1 Zuiho 2 Chitose class)
- 2 battleships (converted Ise class)
- 1 heavy cruiser (probably Mogami)
- 4 light cruisers (1 Agano 3 Natori/Kuma class)
- 5-6 destroyers

The above estimated composition is based on photos and sightings and is considered accurate although the heavy cruiser position remains in some doubt: 2 "Nachi" class units may have been present in place of the "Mogami".

Claims of damage inflicted on this force by the attacks by 3rd Fleet Aircraft Carrier Task Group and by a U. S. Submarine have already been reported (refer Summary No. 1003): in addition another U. S. submarine reports 3 torpedo hits on a light cruiser 315 miles S. of Okinawa Jima at 2300/25 Oct. sinking same.

- (3) E. Coast Philippines - It is now possible to estimate with some degree of certainty the composition of the 2 enemy forces which sortied against our units in Leyte Gulf 25 Oct. The major force which sortied through San Bernardino Strait is estimated to have comprised:-

- 4 battleships (2 Yamato 1 Nagato 1 Kongo class)
- 8 heavy cruisers (4 Nachi 2 Tone 2 Mogami class)
- 2 light cruisers (1 Agano 1 Natori class)
- 12 destroyers

The second and smaller force which proceeded through Surigao Strait is estimated to have comprised:-

- 2 battleships (Fuso class)
- 3 heavy cruisers (Atago class)
- 2 light cruisers (1 Agano 1 Natori)
- 7 destroyers

The presence of 2 of the "Nachi" class cruisers in the San Bernardino Strait force is uncertain as they may have been with the aircraft carrier force N.E. of Luzon and a "Mogami" class may have been in the San Bernardino Strait force instead.

In addition to the units estimated to have been present in the 3 groups mentioned above (including the carrier force N.E. of Luzon) it is known that 1 "Atago" class cruiser was crippled in Palawan Passage early 23 Oct. and that 1 "Aoba" class cruiser was crippled about the same time off Manila; these 2 units did not participate in the sorties.

Final assessment of the damage inflicted on the enemy forces which engaged in the actions off E. coast Philippines cannot yet be made as no report has yet been received of the attack by aircraft from a 3rd Fleet Task Group on the units retiring Southward through Tablas Strait A.M. 26 Oct. It is recalled that the force at this time was reported to comprise 4 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, 3 light cruisers and 10 destroyers.

Later A.M. 26 Oct. this force, or the majority thereof, was attacked by Liberators of 13th Air Force with some success. At this time the force comprised 2 battleships (1 Yamato 1 Kongo) 5 cruisers 5 destroyers and was heading S. of S.W. Panay Is.: the "Yamato" class battleships (identified from photos) was bombed by a flight of 14 Liberators which scored 2 direct hits while the "Kongo" class battle ship was attacked by another flight of 13 Liberators which also scored 2 direct hits and many near misses. At about the same time a light cruiser (Kuma Class) in company with 1 destroyer on a Northerly course off S.W. Negros Is. was attacked by another flight of 19 Liberators scoring 4 direct hits which were followed by fires and explosions on the bridge, amidships and aft. Another single

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (3) E. Coast Philippines (Contd.) - Liberator of the same force attacked without success a heavy cruiser 18 miles outside Coron Bay.

A further report from the 7th Fleet Escort Carriers which so successfully withstood the attack by the enemy battleship force off E. coast Samar Is. 25 Oct. indicates that 1 enemy heavy cruiser was seen to sink as a result of attacks by their aircraft and another heavy cruiser was hit and damaged and last seen on its side. In addition 3 heavy cruisers received torpedoes and 1 battleship was damaged.

On 26 Oct. enemy naval units in the Sulu Sea were attacked by Liberators of the 5th Air Force: 1 light cruiser was attacked by 22 of these Liberators (precise location not reported) and 2 direct hits several near misses were scored leaving the vessel burning and listing heavily: 1 light cruiser and destroyers were attacked by 3 Liberators in N. Sulu Sea scoring a direct hit on 1 of the destroyers and bringing the light cruiser to a standstill as a result of near misses.

On 27 Oct. 4 destroyers were attacked S. of Mindoro by Liberators of 5th Air Force which scored a near miss on 1 and a heavily camouflaged probably destroyer anchored off Cebu city was strafed and set on fire during a sweep involving 24 Lightnings and Thunderbolts.

- (4) W. Coast Luzon - At 1000/26 Oct. a convoy reported by aircraft to comprise 1 aircraft carrier (estimated to be an escort carrier), 9 merchant vessels and 4 escorts including 1 cruiser and 3 destroyers was sighted 80 miles E. of Hainan course 100°, believed heading for Manila.
- (5) Palawan - At 1000/27 Oct. aircraft sighted 2 destroyers W. of Northern Palawan Is. on a Westerly course.
- Early A.M. 28 Oct. aircraft reported 1 possible aircraft carrier (considered likely to be a tanker) and 1 probable heavy cruiser apparently heading into Coron Bay from the West.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Halmaheras - On 26 and 27 Oct. N. Halmahera waters were patrolled by PT boats cooperating with Kittyhawks: no shipping was located and coastal targets were attacked instead.
- (2) S. Celebes - At 1145/27 Oct. suspected enemy headquarters at Palopo and Malili (N. of Bone Gulf) were attacked by 6 Liberators with unobserved results.
- At 1155/27 Oct. a small vessel was observed by aircraft off Salajar, possibly a picket boat or reporting vessel of some kind.
- (3) Flores Is. - A.M. 27 Oct. Macomare was bombed by 8 Mitchells. 1 small coastal vessel and a few barges were observed at Macomare.
- (4) Timor - A.M. 27 Oct. the Dilli area was swept by 4 Beaufighters.
- (5) Ambon Area - On 25 Oct. Haroekoe airbase was attacked by 24 Bostons 1 Mitchell and Halong Seaplane Base by 12 Thunderbolts. On the same day sweeps around Ambon and Ceram were conducted by flights of Mitchells Thunderbolts Beaufighters and Kittyhawks.

3. NEW GUINEA - On 25 Oct. Kaimona and other targets in N.W. New Guinea were attacked by 22 Kittyhawks and on 26 Oct. the Vogelkop area generally was swept by 28 Kittyhawks
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - P.M. 26 Oct. Tobera was bombed by 18 Beauforts. Other activities 25 and 26 Oct. were limited to offensive patrols by fighter-bombers.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. NAMPO SHOTO - On 25 Oct. Iwo Jima air installations were bombed by Liberators dropping 98½ tons bombs: 3 enemy fighters intercepted.
- At 1130/27 Oct. 2 destroyers were sighted by aircraft 170 miles N.W. of Chichi Jima, course 120°
2. NANSEI SHOTO - At 0930/26 Oct. 2 battleships were reported by U. S. submarine S.E. of Okinawa Jima course 40°, speed 15 knots and at 1000/26 Oct. 4 aircraft carriers of which 2 were converted type were seen by the same submarine approaching Okinawa Jima from the S. at 22 knots.
3. CHINA COAST - Local sources report that at 0710/26 Oct. 3 heavy cruisers 1 light cruiser 4 destroyers and 3 large merchant ships were reported in Amoy Harbor.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Estimates of enemy forces which participated in recent battle of Leyte Gulf and N.E. Luzon
- (2) Continued enemy air improvement of Philippines.
- (3) Satisfactory progress Leyte land operations.
- (4) Only small type ships in S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES				ENEMY FORCES			
* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)				(Incl. Mandates)			
<u>BB</u>	(6)	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND	MISSISSIPPI PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA			
<u>CV</u>	(1)	BUNKER HILL					
<u>CVE</u>	(22)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY	KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NATOMA BAY	ORMANLEY BAY PETROF BAY RUDYARD BAY SAGINAW BAY SANGAMON SANTEE	SAVO ISLAND SITKOH BAY SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS WINDHAM BAY		
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS	PORTLAND	SHROPSHIRE	
<u>CL</u>	(9)	ADELAIDE BOISE	COLUMBIA DENVER	#HOBART HONOLULU	NASHVILLE PHOENIX	TROMP	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	CURRITUCK	TANGIER	WRIGHT			
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	BELKNAP CHINCOTEAGUE	GOLDSBOROUGH HALF MOON	HERON ORCA	SAN CARLOS SAN PABLO		
<u>DD</u>	(109)	ABBOTT ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON ARUNTA AULICK A.W. GRANT BACHE BADGER BEALE BLACK BRAINE BRYANT BUSH CALDWELL CAPPS CHAUNCEY CLAXTON CLEMSON COGLAN CONY CONYGHAM	C.T. BADGER DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR DRAYTON EDWARDS ERBEN EVANS FLETCHER FLUSSER FRANKS GANSEVOORT HAILEY HALE HAGGARD HALFORD HALL HALLIGAN HARDEN HARRISON HAZELWOOD STEPHEN POTTER	HEERMAN H.L. EDWARDS HOEL HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS ISHERWOOD JENKINS JOHN RODGERS JOHNSTON KIDD KILLEN LAWSON LANG LAV ALLETTE LEUTZE MACDONOUGH MACKEE MCCORD MCDERMOTT BENHAM	EGGOWAN MCN AIR MAHAN MEEVEN MERTZ MONSSEN MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN NEWCOMB NICHOLAS O'B ANNON PENNION PICKING RATHBURNE REID REMEY RUSSELL SCHROEDER STEVENS	ROBINSON ROSS R.P. LEARY SIGOURNEY SHAW SIGSBEE SPROSTON SMITH STACK STEMBEL STUART TAYLOR THATCHER THORN TRATHEN TWIGGS VENDETTA WALKER WARRAMUNGA WELLES WILKES RINGGOLD	
<u>SS</u>	(17)	BASHAW DACE FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA K.9 K.12	NARWHAL NAUTILUS POLLACK	SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARFON	S.42 S.45 S.47	10
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175					

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.A.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (CONT)

		ALLIED FORCES	ENEMY FORCES		
		Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)	(Incl. Mandates)		
<u>AKA</u>	(71)	ALMAAK (AKA)	DOYEN (APA)	MANOORA (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>		ALSHAIN	ELMORE	MONROVIA	
<u>APD</u>		ALYCONE	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	ORMSBY	
		AQUARIUS	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	PIERCE	
		CAPRICORNUS	FAYETEE	PRES. HAYES	
		DIPHDA	F. FUNSTON	SHERIDAN	
		ELECTRA	FREMONT	SUMTER	
		O'HARA	FULLER	WARREN	
		THUGAN	GLENEARN	WAYNE	
		ALPINE (APA)	GOLDEN CITY	WESTRALIA	
		A. T. MIDDLETON	HARRIS	WINDSOR	
		BARNSTABLE	KEYWOOD	W. P. BIDDLE	
		BAXTER	H. T. ALLEN	DROOKES (APD)	
		BOLIVAR	J. F. BELL	CROSBY	
		CALLAWAY	JAMES O'HARA	HERBERT	
		CALVERT	KANIMELA	HUMPHREYS	
		CAMBRIAN	KNOX	KANE	
		CAVALIER	LEELSTOWN	KILTY	
		CLAN LAMONT	LELAND	MANLEY	
		CLAY	LEON	OVERTON	
		CLEMSON	LEONARD WOOD	SANDS	
		CLUSTER	LEO OLYMAN	SCHLEY	
		CRESCENT CITY	LOTHIAN	TALBOT	
			LAMAR	WARR	
<u>AGC</u>	(5)	APPALACHIAN	MOUNT OLYMPUS	WASATCH	-
		BLUE RIDGE	ROCKY MOUNT		
<u>AS</u>	(3)	HOLLAND	ORION	OTUS	-
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA	WHITNEY	
		PIEDMONT			
<u>AR</u>	(4)	BRIAREUS	PLATYPUS	RIGEL	
		MELUSA			
<u>ARB</u>	(1)	MIDAS			
<u>ARC</u>	(4)	CEBU	MINDANAO	OGLALA	
		CULEBRA ISLAND			
<u>AM</u>	(1)	JASON			
<u>ARL</u>	(3)	ACHILLES	AMYCUS	REMUS	
<u>ARS</u>	(3)	CABLE	PRESERVER	VENT	
<u>LSD</u>	(10)	ASHLAND	GUNSTON HALL		
		BELLE GROVE	LINDENWALD		
		CARTER HALL	OAKHILL		
		CASA GRANDE	RUSHMORE		
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific area)

Philippines
S. China Sea
(Incl. Singapore) Empire

	#	ALLIED FORCES			
<u>BB</u>	(14)	ALABAMA COLORADO IDAHO INDIANA ICW/L	MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NORTH CAROLINA	*OKLAHOMA SOUTH DAKOTA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN	(6) FUSO HARUNA MUSASHI NAGATO YAMASHIRO YAMATO
<u>BB/XCV</u>					(2) HYUGA ISE
<u>CV</u>	(11)	ENTERPRISE ESSEX FRANKLIN	HANCOCK HORNET INTREPID LEXINGTON	SARATOGA TICONDEROGA WASP YORKTOWN	(5) AMAGI HAYATAKA TAIHO UNRYU ZUIKAKU
<u>CVL</u>	(8)	BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD CABOT	COWPENS INDEPENDENCE LANGLEY	MONTEREY SAN JACINTO	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HCSHO RYUHO (poss.s ZUIHO
<u>CVE</u>	(26)	ADMIRALTY ISLAND ALTAMAHA ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BRETON BUCARELI BAY CASABLANCA GOPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR HOLLANDIA KWAJALEIN LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MUNDA NASSAU	PRINCE WILLIAM ROI SALAMAU SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY STEAMER BAY TULAGI THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO (2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER	INDIANAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA	SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO	(2) AOBA ATAGO CHIKUMA CHOKAI HAGURO KUMANO MAYA MOGAMI MYOKO SUZUYA TAKAO TONE 6 (4) KINU KITAGAMI (poss.sunk) NOSHIO YAHAGI (2) ABUKUMA ISUZU KISO OYODO SAKAWA TAMA
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19)	BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND DETROIT HOUSTON *LEANDER	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELLIER OAKLAND RALEIGH RENO	RICHMOND SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS TRENTON VINCENNES	(4) KINU KITAGAMI (poss.sunk) NOSHIO YAHAGI (2) ABUKUMA ISUZU KISO OYODO SAKAWA TAMA
<u>CLT</u>					KASHII KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4)	BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 150			25 25 (several pairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 150			10 Approx. 50
<u>AS</u>			?		? 2 (1 repair)

* Non-effective
Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - DISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/29:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
Task Group 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
77.3 (Close Covering Group)
77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Forces 78 and 79:-

(i) Echelon L6 (19 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AN & PF)
Echelon L7 (22 AT 1 IX 1 PF)
Echelon L8 (Group 1)
(ii) Task Group 78.11 (17 LST 2 PC 1 PF)
Task Group 79.14.5 (1 ATF 1 ARS 1 DD 1 AT plus LST and LCI).
Task Group 79.14.8 (1 IGC 3 APA 1 AP 2 AKA 2 AK 1 LSD 1 DM 2 DMS).
Task Group 79.14.9 (13 LST 4 PC 1 DD)
Task Group 70.6 (1 CL 2 AVD 1 DD).

(2) Task Force 72:-

On Patrol 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "NAUTILUS" "CERO" "PERMIT"
On Passage 5 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "NARWHAL"

(3) "ARARAT" (AMS) "SC.750" escorting Convoy MK1 ("NAOS" "MINTAKA" "ARIDED" (AK) "WELTVREDEEN") departed Manus 1600/26 for Kossol Passage ETA 0600/31.

(4) "DENDIGO" "DROOME" (AMS) escorting Convoy GB 707 (3 MV) departed Morotai 0630/27 for Biak ETA 1300/29.

(5) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AMS) with 5 tows departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.

(6) "BINGERA" (IG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(7) "MERKUR" (AF) was to depart Medang 1100/28 for Aitape and Hollandia.

(8) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) was to depart Finschhafen 0800/28 for Hollandia.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units	29 PT	
Escorts	5	: "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "HAWKESBURY" "MACHIAS" (PF)
Auxiliaries	30	: 1 AV : "TANGLIER" 2 AVP: "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" 1 IGP: "MOBJACK" 15 AP/AK 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD 2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP: 236

Samarapur:

Combat units	8 PT	
Escorts	1	: 1 AMS: "COWRA"
Auxiliaries	1	: 1 YP : 232

Noenfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 ACG: "SUSQUEHANNA"
Big Woendi:
 Combat units 2 SS : "RAY" "RATON"
 44 PT
 Escorts 6 : 7 AMS: "LITHGOW" "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "DELOR AINE" "STRAHAN"
 "GOULDERN" "KIAMA" 1 PF: "BURDEKIN"
 Auxiliaries 22 : "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP) "KURUMBA"
 "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO) "SAKATONCHEE" "RIO GRANDE" "ELKHORN"
 "SEEKONK" (ADG) "LARK" (AM) "TASMAN" (AH) "CALAMARES" (AF)
 "REMUS" (ARL) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "TEADERRY" (YN) 2 YFD
 2 YP: 237, 238

Maffin Day:

Escorts 1 : "GLENEIG" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SHAWNEE" (AT)

umboldt Bay:

Combat units 18 DD : "ISHERWOOD" "C.J.BADGER" "JOHN RODGERS" "MORRIS" "HOWORTH" "KIDD"
 "BLACK" "WALKER" "ABOT" "HUGHES" "ANDERSON" "LANG" "JENKINS"
 "STEVENS" "MURRAY" "HARRISON" "DASHIELL" "STACK"
 Escorts 23 : "GYMPIE" "COOTAMUNERA" (AMS) "DURLINGTON" "BELFAST" "CARSON CITY"
 (PF) 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384
 5 SC: 84, 695, 812, 1137, 1180 6 SC: 695, 703, 738, 743, 745, 748
 Auxiliaries 93 : "LEON" "W.P.DILLIE" "ARIADNE" "SUMPTER" "WARREN" "LAMAR" "WINDSOR"
 "CALLAWAY" "CRESCENT CITY" "F.FUNSTON" "SHERIDAN" "ALPINE" "KNOX"
 "CUSTER" "DOLIVAR" "DOYEN" "HENRY T. ALLEN" "FAYETTE" "ORMSBY"
 "LEEDSTOWN" "DUPAGE" "WAYNE" "FULLER" (APA) "COMET" "WARHANK"
 "STORM KING" "GEN.H.L.SCOTT" "STARLIGHT" (AF) "MANOORA" "KANIMULA"
 "WESTRALIA" (LST) "CHEPACHET" "DISHOPDALE" (AO) "HERON" (AVP)
 "GANYMEDE" "HERCULES" (AK) "TITANIA" "ARQUARIUS" "DIPLOMA"
 "ALYCONE" "ALMACK" (AKA) "SHIKELAMY" (AOG) "ACUDENS" (AKS)
 "DOBBIN" (AL) "MIDAS" (AR) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CABLE" (AKS)
 "CHETCO" "RESERVE" "HIDATSU" (AT) "DERRICK" (YO) "CINNAMON" (AN)
 "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CULEERA ISLAND" (ARG) "AMYCUS" (ARL)
 "DENALLA" (AGS) "OTUS" (AS) "STAG" (AW) "APPALACHIAN" (AGC)
 "VILLALOBOS" "ETAIN" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC)
 "CASA GRANDE" "LINDENWALD" "BELLE GROVE" "ASHLAND" (LSD) "DROOKS"
 "OVERTON" "BELKNAP" "KILTY" "CROSBY" "SANDS" "GOLDSBOROUGH"
 "SCHLEY" "KANE" (APL) "MONITOR" "CATSKILL" (LSV) 2 YFD
 1 ATR: 31 5 YP: 215, 240, 283, 291, 292
 2 ARD: 7, 12 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25

Admiralties:

Combat units 1 CV : "DUNKER HILL"
 2 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY" "CAPE ESPERANCE"
 1 CA : "AUSTRALIA"
 1 CL : "HONOLULU"
 18 DD : "EVANS" "STEVENSON" "STOCKTON" "RINGGOLL" "GILLESPIE" "CALDWELL"
 "COGHLAN" "WARRAMUNGA" "STEPHEN POTTER" "BENHAM" "GANSEVOORT"
 "DRAINE" "SIGSBEE" "MCKEE" "STEMMEL" "LUCE" "RATHBURN" "CHAUNCEY"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 4 PT
 Escorts 27 : 7 DE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CADAN"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DEELE" "PARKES" 1 ML: 827
 2 SC: 747, 982 1 PC: 500
 16 YMS: 2, 6, 9, 10, 46, 48, 53, 97, 313, 315, 316, 319, 329, 336, 393, 481
 Auxiliaries 70 : "HUMPHREYS" "MANLEY" "TALBOT" (APD) "J.F.BELL" "CALVERT" "FELAND"
 "HEYWOOD" "MONROVIA" "CAVALIER" "THULAN" "PRES.HAYES" "CAMBRIA"
 "GEO.CLYMER" (APA) "GOLDEN CITY" (AP) "CACAPON" "NESHANIC"
 "CALLIENTE" "ESCAMBIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JAMESTOWN" (AGP)
 "OCTANS" (AF) "JASON" (ARL) "CEBU" (AG) "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)
 "DRIAREUS" "MELUSA" (AR) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM) "HOVEY" "LONG"
 "PALMER" (SMS) "ALDASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD"
 (YN) "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "CRUX" "CETUS" "LYRA" "SAGITTARIUS"
 "PHOBOS" "BOOTES" "SHAULA" (AK) "LEOPARD" "ANDREW DORIA"
 "ARMADILLO" "PORCUPINE" "ARENDA" (IX) "KINGFISHER" "TAVATA"
 "TERN" "RAIL" (AT) "WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIELMONT" (AL) "RIXEY" (APH)
 "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) "BADGER" "CLEMSON" (AVL) "SOLACE" "ALSHAIN"
 "CHARA" (AKA) 2 ABS 1 AFD: 8 2 ARD: 19, 20
 3 YP: 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 8 : 1 SC : 743 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS : "MINJANI"
3 AMS : "WAGGA" "GEBELONG" "LATROBE"
Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPA" "LAURADADA" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP : 504

Cape Gloucester:

Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121
Auxiliaries 1 : "EMPIRE ARGUMENT" (APA)

Lengemak:

Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 4 PC : 210, 535, 1131, 1591
4 SC : 659, 734, 739, 981
Auxiliaries 8 : "CLYDE" (IX) "KASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "GAMBLE" (DM)
"MINDANAO" (AG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "DUNTROON" (AP) 1 AFL : 10

Lae:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "TOWNSVILLE"
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (MS)

Milne Bay:

Escorts 9 : 2 AMS : "COLAC" "STAVELL" 1 PS : "SWAN" 1 A/S : "WILCANNIA"
2 PC : 479, 1124 2 ML : 806, 817 1 HML : 1338
Auxiliaries 11 : "CLAN LAMONT" (APA) "SPRIGHTLY" "TANCREL" (AT) "PONTUS" (AGP)
"CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (MS) "KATOOMEA" (AP) 1 AFL : 9
2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFL : 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 810, 819
Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/29:

- (1) "PATASCO" (AG) departed Tulagi 1600/26 for Emirau ETA 1800/29.
(2) "PC.1132" departed Milne Bay 1459/26 for Torokina was due 0300/28.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 6 : 1 DE : "STAFFEL" 3 SC : 502, 620, 723 2 YMS : 259, "TUI"
Auxiliaries 5 : 1 YP : 514 "STRATFORD" (AP) "TAGANAK" (AO) "ALKALD" (AK)
"ANTARES" (AKS)

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
Escorts 4 : 2 YMS : 95, 97 1 SC : 1065 1 PC : 606
Auxiliaries 3 : 2 YP : 348, 520 "CAP DESPALMES" (AG)

Torokina:

Escorts 9 : 2 SC : 1168, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
6 PC : 476, 477, 590, 590, 1123, 1242
Auxiliaries 6 : 1 YP : 515 1 AM : "DRACO" 1 AP : "ORRISTON" 1 AG : "METTAWEE"

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
6 PGM
Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS : 47
4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "GENLEAU" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI"
4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
Auxiliaries 1 : "WHIPSTOCK" (YO)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/29:

- (1) "WRIGHT" (AV) was to depart Brisbane 1430/26 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/30.
(2) "PUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0950/22 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/30.
(3) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
(4) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
(5) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Cairns 2149/27 for Thursday Is, ETA 1600/29.
(6) "SC.1039,1266" departed Santo 1200/24 for Sydney ETA 1200/30.
(7) "PC.1130" departed Sydney 1340/26 for Noumea ETA 0900/30.
(8) "ML.426,818" departed Caloundra 1300/26 for Sydney ETA 0600/30.
(9) "GEN.RANDALL" (AP) departed Port Melbourne 0830/28 for Wellington ETA 1300/31.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SMERCE" "MERCADORE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)
Cairns:
 Escorts 6 : 1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" 4 ML: 428, 431, 802, 806 1 SC: 699
 Auxiliaries 3 : "FINE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFL: 3
Townsville:
 Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "GLENBARN" (APA)
Dowon:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)
Brisbane:
 Combat units 1 CM : "MONA NOCK"
 5 SS : "DASHA" "FLOUNDER" "GAR" "GUAVINA" "S.42"
 Escorts 15 : 2 AMS: "GLISTONE" "WHYALLA" 4 HML: 1129, 1324, 1329, 1353
 1 A/S: "KYDRA" 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 811, 805, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CAENOCOLET" (KX) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "LOTHIAN" (APA)
 "MONTREY" (AT) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "COLLSTAR" (AG) 1 YP: 420
Sydney:
 Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TOM"
 1 LD : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 8 : 1 PS : "WARREGO" 4 ML : 810, 819, 822, 823
 2 AMS: "KALUNDA" "DUNLADENG" 1 A/S: "YANDRA"
 Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AN)
 "EVANGELINE" (XAPC) "OCTORARA" (IX)
Melbourne:
 Combat units 1 CL : "GAMMA"
 1 OCL : "ADELAIDE"
 Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA" (A/S) "BALLARAT" (AMS)
 2 HML: 1340, 1352
 Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. W.M. MITCHELL" (AP)
Adelaide:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "EMTHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/29:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 22 SS : "ANGLER" "BATFISH" "BERGALL" "BOWFIN" "BLACKFIN" "BLUEGILL" "COL"
 "COLIA" "GUINAC" "FLASHER" "HAMERHEAD" "LAFON" "MINGO" "SILVER"
 "PORPOISE" "ROCK" "GUITARRO" "STONE" "STOIC" "TANTIVY" "TANTALUS"
 On Passage 18 SS : "CLYDE" "TELEMACHUS" "PARGO" "D'ARBERO" "REDFIN" "D'RYA" "CAVALLA"
 "SPITEFUL" "HAKWILL" "SEA ROVE" "HUTNEAL" "ZWAARFISCH"
 "HARKE" "MUSKELLUNGE" "GROBLER" "GUNNEL" "HOE" "K.15"

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Escorts 8 : "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "HORSHAM" "JUNEE" (AMS)
 4 ML : 429, 812, 814, 907

Hillier Inbi:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 ML : 809

SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/29:

Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 2 LD : "NIZAM" "QUICKMATCH"
 8 SS : "CREVILLE" "HADO" "JACK" "DECUNA" "STURLY" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 7 AMS: "BU" "MILLURIA" "LANCENSTON" "INVERELL" "PARKES"
 "MARRAMDOOL"
 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "BURYALE" "MADSTONE" (AS) "ISRAEL" (PY)
 1 AFL: 10 1 YP : 286

Dunbury:

Escorts 1 : "DUNBURY" (AMS)

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFICPHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Considerable advances have been made by our forces both on Leyte and on Samar. On N. coast Leyte Is. elements of our forces have pushed S.W. along the coast as far as Baruga and in the N. our forces have been contacted by units which have come up the coast from their positions on the W. coast of the N. end of San Juanico Strait.
- On the E. coast of Leyte elements of our forces in the Dulag area have pushed S. along the coast as far as Abuyog, 13 miles S. of Dulag. This means that our forces control the coast of Leyte from Baruga on the Central N. coast to Abuyog more than halfway down the E. coast. Inland on the E. coast positions around the airfields in the Leyte valley have been consolidated and extended although some resistance is being encountered in this sector.
- On Samar Is. elements have pushed forward along the N.-S. road along the W. coast up to Catbologan and patrols have exploited a further 9 miles to the N. without enemy contact.
- At 0900/26 Oct. an enemy submarine was contacted by surface units E. of Leyte Gulf. Attacks brought much oil and debris to the surface during the day and the submarine is believed destroyed.
- (2) Battle of Leyte Gulf - Reports have now been received of the action between the enemy task force which sortied through Surigao Strait night 24-25 Oct. and which was engaged by our battleship/cruiser Task Group in S. Leyte Gulf early 25 Oct. The force encountered is reported to have comprised:-
- 2 battleships
 - 2 heavy cruisers
 - 2 light cruisers
 - 10 destroyers.
- Action commenced with torpedoes from our PT boats and destroyers followed by gunfire from our battleships and cruisers as a result of which the following definite sinkings are reported:-
- 2 battleships (identified as Fuso and Yamishiro)
 - 1 heavy cruiser
 - 1 light cruiser
 - 6 destroyers
- The remainder of the force was heavily attacked by aircraft from escort carriers, after daybreak 25 Oct. and 1 destroyer was confirmed as sunk, 1 light cruiser very heavily hit and all other units severely damaged.
- Results of the strike by aircraft from a 3rd Fleet Task Group S. of Mindoro 26 Oct. are now reported as follows:-
- Sunk:
 - 1 light cruiser (Agano class)
 - Probably sunk:
 - 1 heavy cruiser (Mogami class)
 - Damaged:
 - 3 battleships (1 each, Yamato, Nagato and Kongo class)
 - 7 light cruisers/destroyers.
- In addition a large seaplane carrier was sunk E. of Panay. This unit is believed to have been the ship described as an "Ise" class battleship E. of Panay Is. in the same area 26 Oct.
- Photographs are now available of units in the enemy task force which was attacked 24 Oct. in Sibuyan Sea prior to the sortie through San Bernardino Strait; these photographs show:-
- 5 battleships (2 Yamato, 2 Kongo, 1 Nagato)
 - 6 heavy cruisers (2 Mogami, 2 Atago, 1 Nachi, 1 unidentified)
 - 1 light cruiser (Agano class)
 - 1 unidentified cruiser.
- These photos lend strong support to reports of a prisoner who has provided details of the composition and movements of this force which details are incorporated in the following paragraph.
- Evidence from POW, photos and sightings make it possible now to reconstruct briefly the enemy's movements prior to and subsequent to the battle. The first movement took place 20-21 Oct. when 2 battleships (Fuso and Yamashiro) with some other units sortied from Lingga (Singapore) for the Manila area. On 21-22 Oct. the main force including 5 battleships (Yamato, ^{Mogami} Kongo, Haruna and Nagato) 10 heavy cruisers 1 light cruiser and 13 destroyers sortied from Lingga at high speed also for the Coron Bay-Manila area. As previously reported U. S. submarines attacked this latter force in Palawan passage early A.M. 23 Oct. and the prisoners statements add strength to the Submarines' claims as he states that 2 "Atago" class heavy cruisers were sunk and a third "Atago" class heavy cruiser damaged causing this unit to fall out of the Task Force.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- (2) Battle of Leyte Gulf (Contd.) - The remainder of this major force continued Northwards proceeding S. through Mindoro Strait early 24 Oct.

The smaller force apparently joined up with other units and proceeded S. through Sulu Sea, Mindanao Sea to Surigao Strait having been subjected to severe air attacks. The major force proceeded to San Bernardino Strait and after being subjected to severe air attacks sortied through San Bernardino Strait night 24-25 Oct. at which time the force comprised 4 battleships (as before less Musashi which had been seriously damaged), 7 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 10 destroyers.

Combat reports taken in conjunction with subsequent sightings indicate that 2 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser and at least 1 destroyer were sunk during 25 and 26 Oct. and in addition probably all other heavy units and many of the light units were damaged, some so severely that they may not have escaped.

The force retiring from San Bernardino Strait on 26 Oct. was seen at about noon that day off W. Coast Panay still heading S. but a sighting at 2340/26 Oct., probably by U. S. submarine, of a force described as 3 battleships 3 heavy cruisers and 6 destroyers at the Northern entrance to Palawan Passage on course 210°, speed 11 knots, indicates that the force reversed course early afternoon 26 Oct. and departed from the Sulu Sea via Mindoro Strait. Lack of subsequent sightings indicate that the force may have proceeded, not through Palawan passage, but W. of Dangerous Ground probably to Lingga.

Sightings since 26 Oct. indicate that damaged units from the San Bernardino Strait force proceeded to Coron Bay area. Such sightings include 1 "Yamato" class battleship identified from photos taken A.M. 26 Oct. No shipping, however, was found in Coron Bay nor on route there by 2 Liberators which were over Coron Bay at twilight 27 Oct.: visibility was excellent. A probable "Mogami" class cruiser however was seen W. of Coron Bay proceeding at 5 knots and trailing oil at 1115/28 Oct. and other shipping probably including at least 1 tanker was seen in the same vicinity.

A preliminary estimate, subject to adjustment if necessary as further intelligence becomes available, of enemy losses from 23-26 Oct. inclusive in connection with the Battle of Leyte Gulf including claims by submarines, surface craft and aircraft may be summarized:-

SUNK 2 battleships (identified as Fuso and Yamashiro)

5 Heavy cruisers of which 3 are identified tentatively as Suzuya, Atago and Maya.

2 light cruisers of which 1 is tentatively identified as Noshiro
10 destroyers.

In addition 1 light cruiser (Natori class) is classified as probably sunk and all remaining heavy units have suffered damage and at least 3 of the remaining battleships and 4 of the heavy cruisers were seriously damaged and some of these units may have subsequently sunk.

- (3) Palawan - On 28 Oct. Puerta Princesa airrome was bombed by 29 Liberators apparently destroying 23 grounded aircraft and damaging 10-15 others. Some Liberators came down to strafe floatplanes at anchor and destroyed 3. There was no interception.
- (4) W. Luzon - At 0340/28 Oct. a convoy comprising 1 aircraft carrier, 1 cruiser 4 destroyers 4 unidentified vessels were reported approx. 120 miles W.N.W. of Manila Bay. No course was reported but this is probably the convoy seen E. of Hainan 26 Oct. with carrier escort, which was believed headed for Manila.

2. INDIES

- (1) Morotai - Night 26-27 Oct. probably a single enemy aircraft approached Morotai from the S.E. but was driven off by AA.
- (2) Halimohera - On 28 Oct. Kau runway, apparently newly repaired was bombed by fighter-bombers.
- (3) S. Celebes - At 1220/26 Oct. 4 cargo vessels (1 medium 3 small) and some 15 sea trucks were observed at Makassar.
At approx. 1130/27 Oct. Liberators attacking targets in Gulf of Bone reported a number of small craft possibly including an odd sea truck in the Pomeloo-Palopo area and in addition apparently 2 barge convoys.
- (4) N.E. Borneo - At 2330/27 Oct. 2 vessels described as 1 large transport and 1 "Natori" class light cruiser were unsuccessfully attacked by a Catalina between N.W. Borneo and Tawi Tawi.
A report from aircraft in flight at 1220/28 Oct. indicates a Northbound convoy of 6 ships including 2 escorts off Eastern entrance Balabac Strait.
- (5) Ambo Is. At 0900/28 Oct. targets on Waingapoe were attacked by 8 Mitchells.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

- 3. NEW GUINEA - Air attacks on targets in the Wovak area were repeated 27-28 Oct. by small formations of Beauforts, Bostons, Mitchells and Liberators.
- 4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - The usual offensive air operations were conducted 26 and 27 Oct. over the Gazelle Peninsula, New Ireland and Bougainville.
- B. CENTRAL PACIFIC - At 0530/29 Oct. a U. S. submarine sighted 2 battle ships with 4 escorts 150 miles S.S.E. of Bungo Channel (Kyushu) course N.
- C. NORTH PACIFIC - On 24 Oct. installations on Paramushiro were attacked by 2 groups of Liberators and buildings in the same vicinity were attacked by 1 group of Mitchells. 5 enemy fighters ineffectually intercepted.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Further details Battle of Leyte Gulf, reconstruction of sortie and retirements and preliminary assessment of total enemy losses.
- (2) Apparent withdrawal enemy major Surface Force remnants to Singapore, although significant ship sighting also in empire.
- (3) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Philippines and sustained air strikes on Blue Forces Leyte.
- (4) Rapid advance Blue Forces on Leyte and Samar.
- (5) Only small type enemy shipping S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCE
(Incl. Mandat

<u>BB</u>	(6)	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND	MISSISSIPPI PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>CV</u>	(1)	BUNKER HILL				-	
<u>CVE</u>	(21)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHENINGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY	KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MARCUS ISLAND NATOMA BAY	OMMANEY BAY PETROF BAY RUDYERD BAY SAGINAW BAY SANGALMON SANTEE	SAVO ISLAND SITKOH BAY SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS WINDHAM BAY	-	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS	PORTLAND SHROPSHIRE	-	
<u>CL</u>	(10)	ADELAIDE BOISE	COLUMBIA DENVER	GAMBIA #HOBART	HONOLULU PHOENIX NASHVILLE TROMP	-	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	CURRITUCK	TAN GIER	WRIGHT		-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	BELKNAP CHINCOTEAGUE	GOLDSBOROUGH HALF MOON	HERON ORCA	SAN CARLOS SAN PABLO	-	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ARBOTT ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON ARUNTA AULICK A.W.GRANT BACHE BADGER BEALE BENHAM BLACK BRAINE BRYANT BUSH CALDWELL CAPPS CHAUNCEY CLAXTON CLEMSON COGHLAN CONY	CONYGHAM C.T.BADGER DALY DASHIELL DAVID W.TAYLOR DRAYTON EDWARDS ERBEN EVANS FLETCHER FLUSSER FRANKS GASSEVOORT HAILEY HALE HAGGARD HALFORD HALL HALLIGAN HARADEN HARRISON HAZELWOOD	HEYRMAN H.L.EDWARDS HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS ISHERWOOD JENKINS JOHN RODGERS KIDD KILLEN LANSON LANG LA VALLETTE LEUTZE MACDONOUGH MACKEE MCCORD MCDERMOTT MCGOWAN MCMAIR MAHAN	MEEVEN MERTZ MONSSEN MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN NEWCOMB NICHOLAS O'BANNON PENNION PICKING RATHBURNE REID REMY RINGGOLD ROBINSON ROSS R.P.LEARY RUSSELL SCHROEDER SHAW	SIGOURNEY SIGSBEE SMITH SPROSTON STACK STEMBEL STEPHEN POTTER STEVENS STUART TAYLOR THATCHER THORN TRATHEN TWIGGS VENDETTA WALKER WARRAMUNGA WELLES WILKES	-
<u>SS</u>	(17)	BASHAW DACE FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GUAVINA K.9 K.12	NERWAL NAUTILUS POLLACK	SEA WOLF S.42 STINGRAY S.45 TARPON S.47	10	
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (CONT)

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>			<u>(Incl. Mandates)</u>
<u>AKA</u> (71)	<u>ALMAAK (AKA)</u>	<u>DOYEN (APA)</u>	<u>MANOORA (APA)</u>
<u>APA</u>	<u>ALSHAIN</u>	<u>ELMORE</u>	<u>MONROVIA</u>
<u>APD</u>	<u>ALYCONE</u>	<u>EMPIRE ARQUEBUS</u>	<u>ORMSBY</u>
	<u>AQUARIUS</u>	<u>EMPIRE SPEARHEAD</u>	<u>PIERCE</u>
	<u>CAPRICORNUS</u>	<u>FAYETEE</u>	<u>PRES. HAYES</u>
	<u>DIPHDA</u>	<u>F. FUNSTON</u>	<u>SHERIDAN</u>
	<u>ELECTRA</u>	<u>FREMONT</u>	<u>SUMTER</u>
	<u>O'HARA</u>	<u>FULLER</u>	<u>WARREN</u>
	<u>THUGAN</u>	<u>GLENEARN</u>	<u>WAYNE</u>
	<u>ALPINE (APA)</u>	<u>GOLDEN CITY</u>	<u>WESTRALIA</u>
	<u>A. T. MIDDLETON</u>	<u>HARRIS</u>	<u>WINDSOR</u>
	<u>BARNSTABLE</u>	<u>HEYWOOD</u>	<u>W. P. BIDDLE</u>
	<u>BAXTER</u>	<u>H. T. ALLEN</u>	<u>BROOKES (APD)</u>
	<u>BOLIVAR</u>	<u>J. F. BELL</u>	<u>CROSBY</u>
	<u>CALLAWAY</u>	<u>JAMES O'HARA</u>	<u>HERBERT</u>
	<u>CALVERT</u>	<u>KANIMBLA</u>	<u>HUMPHREYS</u>
	<u>CAMBRIAN</u>	<u>KNOX</u>	<u>KANE</u>
	<u>CAVALIER</u>	<u>LEEDSTOWN</u>	<u>KILTY</u>
	<u>CLAN LAMONT</u>	<u>LELAND</u>	<u>MANLEY</u>
	<u>CLAY</u>	<u>LEON</u>	<u>OVERTON</u>
	<u>CLEMSON</u>	<u>LEONARD WOOD</u>	<u>SANDS</u>
	<u>CLUSTER</u>	<u>LEO OLYMAN</u>	<u>SCHLEY</u>
	<u>CRESCENT CITY</u>	<u>LOTHIAN</u>	<u>TALBOT</u>
		<u>LAMAR</u>	<u>WARL</u>
<u>AGC</u> (5)	<u>APPALACHIAN</u>	<u>MOUNT OLYMPUS</u>	<u>WASATCH</u>
	<u>BLUE RIDGE</u>	<u>ROCKY MOUNT</u>	
<u>AS</u> (3)	<u>HOLLAND</u>	<u>ORION</u>	<u>OTUS</u>
<u>AD</u> (4)	<u>DOBBIN</u>	<u>SIERRA</u>	<u>WHITNEY</u>
	<u>PIEDMONT</u>		
<u>AR</u> (4)	<u>BRIAREUS</u>	<u>PLATYPUS</u>	<u>RIGEL</u>
	<u>MEDUSA</u>		
	(1) <u>MIDAS</u>		
<u>ARC</u> (4)	<u>CEBU</u>	<u>MINDANAO</u>	<u>OGLALA</u>
	<u>CULEBRA ISLAND</u>		
<u>ARH</u> (1)	<u>JASON</u>		
<u>ARL</u> (3)	<u>ACHILLES</u>	<u>AMYCUS</u>	<u>REMUS</u>
<u>ARS</u> (3)	<u>CABLE</u>	<u>PRESERVER</u>	<u>VENT</u>
<u>LSD</u> (10)	<u>ASHLAND</u>	<u>GUNSTON HALL</u>	
	<u>BELLE GROVE</u>	<u>LINDENWALD</u>	
	<u>CARTER HALL</u>	<u>OAKHILL</u>	
	<u>CASA GRANDE</u>	<u>RUSHMORE</u>	
	<u>EPPING FOREST</u>	<u>WHITE MARSH</u>	

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Area)

		# ALLIED FORCES		Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore) Empire		
<u>BB</u>	(14)	ALABAMA COLORADO IDAHO INDIANA IOWA	MASSACHUSETTS *OKLAHOMA MISSOURI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NORTH CAROLINA	(4) HARUNA) all *KONGO MUSASHI) damaged NAGATO) some YAMATO) prob. sunk		
<u>BB/XCV</u>		-	-	(2) HUYGA ISE		
<u>CV</u>	(11)	ENTERPRISE ESSEX FRANKLIN	HANCOCK HORNET INTREPID LEXINGTON	SARATOGA TICONDEROGA WASP YORKTOWN	(5) AMAGI HAHATAKA TAIHO UNRYU ZUIKAKU	
<u>CVL</u>	(8)	BATMAN BELLEAU WOOD CABOT	COWPENS INDEPENDENCE LANGLEY	MONTEREY SAN JACINTO	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO RYUHO (poss. sunk) ZUIHO	
<u>CVE</u>	(28)	ADMIRALTY IS. ALTAMAHA ATU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BRETON BUCARELI BAY C. SABLANCA COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR HOLLANDIA KWAJALEIN LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MAKIN ISLAND MUNDA NASSAU	NEHEMIA BAY PRINCE WILLIAM ROI SALAMUA SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY STEAMER BAY TULAGI THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO (2) KAIYO OTAKA	
<u>CL</u>	(8)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER	INDIANAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA	SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO	(13) *AOBA *TAKAO ATAGO) 2 rep. sunk MAYA) other CHOKAI) damaged TONE) at least HIKUMA) 2 sunk MYOKO) others HAGURO) damaged. KUMANO NACHI SUZUYA ASHIGARA	
<u>OC1</u> <u>CL</u>	(19)	BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND DETROIT HOUSTON *LEANDER	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RALEIGH RENO	RICHMOND SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS TRENTON VINCENNES	(4) KINU KITAGAMI NOSHIRO YAHAGI (all damgd. poss sunk)	6 (6) ABUKUMA ISUZU EISO OYODO SAKAWA TAMA
<u>CIT</u>		-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA	
<u>CS</u>	(4)	BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO	
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 150			25 (several repairing)	
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 150			10 Approx. 50	
<u>AS</u>		?		?	2 (1 repairing)	

* Non-effective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ENEMY FORCES
Indian Ocean

<u>BB</u>	-	(4) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH RENOWN VALIANT	-																																																
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE VICTORIOUS	-																																																
<u>CA</u>	-	(6) AMEER BEGUM ATHELING SHAH BATTLER UNICORN	-																																																
<u>CL</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND SUFFOLK LONDON	-																																																
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	<u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
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Fighters	-	-	136	110	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	48	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	88	58	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	57	33	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	343	277	19

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA**
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY
Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.
Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.
No. 1006 Date 30 October 1944

PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - DISMARCHES

(a) At Sea to 1200/30:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

- Task Units 77.1.1 (Fleet Flagship Unit)
- 77.1.2 (Cruiser Unit)
- Task Group 77.2 (Bombardment and Fire Support Group)
- 77.3 (Close Covering Group)
- 77.4 (Escort Carrier Group)
- 77.5 (Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group)
- 77.6 (Beach Demolition Group)
- 77.7 (Service Group)

(b) Task Forces 78 and 79:-

- (i) Echelon L6 (19 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AN 4 PF)
- Echelon L7 (22 AT 1 IX 1 PF)
- Echelon L8 (10 LSD 2 DD)
- Echelon L9 (21 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AMS 2 PF)
- (ii) Task Group 79.14.8 (1 AGC 3 APA 1 AP 2 AKA 2 AK 1 LSD 1 DM 2 DMS).
- Task Group 79.14.9 (13 LST 4 PC 1 DD)

(2) Task Force 72:-

- On Patrol 6 SS : "SEA WOLF" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "NAUTILUS" "CERO" "PERMIT"
- On Passage 5 SS : "POLLACK" "PADDLE" "TARPON" "STINGRAY" "NARWHAL"

(3) "RINGGOLD" "SIGSBEE" "MCKEE" (DD) departed Manus 0600/28 for Pearl Hbr via Majuro.

(4) "HAWKESBURY" (PF) escorting Convoy MK2 (1 AP/AK) departed Manus 1600/28 for Kossol Passage ETA 0800/1.

(5) "ARARAT" (AMS) "SC.750" escorting Convoy MK1 ("NAOS" "MINTAKA" "ARDEL" (AK) "WELTVREDE") departed Manus 1600/26 for Kossol Passage ETA 0600/31.

(6) "NEWMAN" "LITTLE" "KEPHART" "COFER" "LLOYD" (APL) proceeding to Finschhafen ETA 31 Oct.

(7) "LONG BEACH" (PF) escorting 4 LCI departed Humboldt 1730/28 for Biak and Sansapor.

(8) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AMS) with 5 tows departed Milne Bay 0100/20 for Woendi, ETA 31 Oct.

(9) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Langenak 0730/28 for Manus was due 0800/29.

(10) "PHOBOS" (AK) departed Manus 0700/29 for Nounea ETA 7 Nov.

(11) "TANCRED" (AT) departed Milne Bay 1307/29 for Cape Nelson ETA 0400/30.

(12) "BINGERA" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(b) In Harbour:

Morotai:

Combat units 29 PT
Escorts 7

Auxiliaries 33

- : 2 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "LITHGOW"
- 5 PF : "ALLENTOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "BURDEKIN" "MACHIAS"
- : 1 AV : "TANGIER" 2 AVP: "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" 1 AGP: "MODJACK"
- 2 ACG: "ELKHORN" "RIO GRANDE" 1 AO : "TRINITY" 15 AP/AK
- 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YPD 2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP : 236

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP : 232

Diak-Woendi:

Combat units 2 SS : "RAY" "RATON"

44 PT

Escorts 9 : 9 AMS: "BENDIGO" "BROOME" "ROCKHAMPTON" "KATOOMBA" "DELORAINÉ"
 "STRAHAN" "GOULBURN" "KILMA" "CONRA" "

Auxiliaries 20 : "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "ORESTES" (AGP) "KURUMB" "VICTORIA" (AO) "SAKATONGEE" "SEKONK" (AOG) "LARK" (AM) "MAETSUYCKER" "TASHAN" (AI) "CALAMARES" (AF) "REMUS" (ARL) "ARLANT" (IX) "VIGEO" (ATP) "TEAMER" (YN) 2 YD
 2 YP : 237, 238

Maffin Day:

Escorts 1 : "GLENELG" (AMS)

Auxiliaries 1 : "SHAWNEE" (AT)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units 18 DD : "ISSERWOOD" "C.J. ADGER" "JOHN RODGERS" "MORRIS" "EONORTH" "KID" "BLACK" "WALKER" "A. BOY" "HUGHES" "ANDERSON" "LARG" "JENKINS" "STEVENS" "HUGON" "MARRISON" "DASHIELL" "EISEN"

Escorts 23 : "GYMPIE" (AMS) "BURLINGTON" "CARSON CITY" (PF)
 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 334 7 PG: 84, 598, 695, 1129, 1137, 1180
 6 SG : 695, 703, 738, 743, 745, 748

Auxiliaries 87 : "W.P. BIDDLE" "ARLENE" "WAGREN" "LAMAR" "WINDSOR" "F. FUNSTON" "SHERIDAN" "ALPINE" "KNOX" "CRESCENT CITY" "CUSTER" "BOLIVAR" "BOYEN" "HENRY T. ALLEN" "FAYETTE" "ORSMY" "LEEDSTOWN" "DUPAGE" "WAYNE" "FULLER" (APA) "COMET" "WARHANK" "GEN. H. L. SCOTT" "STARLIGHT" (AP) "MANOHA" "KANIMILA" "WESTRALIA" (LSI) "HERON" (AVP) "CHEPAGNET" "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "GANIMELE" "MERCULES" (AK) "TITANIA" "ARQUARIUS" "LISHLA" "ALYCOMB" "ALMAACK" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG) "ACHELANS" (AKS) "DOCKIN" (AL) "MIDAS" (AR) "CALE" "PRESERVER" (ATS) "CHETCO" "RESERVE" "HIDATSA" "POTOMAC" "MENOMINEE" (AT) "DERRICK" (YO) "CINCINNATI" (AN) "POYANG" "PYRO" (AE) "CULE RA ISLAND" (ARG) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OTUS" (AS) "STAG" (AT) "APPALACHIAN" (AGC) "VILLALOBOS" "ETAMIN" (IX) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "BUTTONWOOD" (CGC) "CROOKES" "OVERTON" "DELKNAP" "KILTY" "CROSSY" "SALAS" "WYSDOROUGH" "SCHLEY" "KANE" (APD) "MONITOR" "CATSKILL" (LSV, 2 YD
 1 ATR: 31 5 YP : 215, 240, 283, 291, 292
 2 ARD: 7, 12 4 ARA: 11, 18, 24, 25

Aitape:

Escorts 1 : "WAGGA" (AMS)

Auxiliaries 1 : "MERCUR" (AF)

Admiralties:

Combat units 1 CV : "DUNKER HILL"

2 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY" "CAPE ESPERANCE"

1 CA : "AUSTRALIA"

1 CL : "HONOLULU"

10 DE : "EVANS" "WARRAMUNGA" "STEPHEN POTTER" "BENJAMIN" "GANSEVOORT" "BRADINE" "STEMBEL" "LUCE" "RATHBURN" "CHAUNCEY"

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

4 PT

Escorts 27 : 7 LE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CERANA" "JAMES E. CRAIG" "LEELE" "PARKES" 1 ML : 827

2 SC : 747, 982 1 PC : 500

Auxiliaries 72 : 16 YMS: 2, 6, 9, 10, 46, 48, 53, 97, 313, 315, 316, 319, 329, 336, 393, 431
 "HUMPHREYS" "MANLEY" "CAVALIER" "PIES. HAYES" "CARMIA" "GEO. CLYMER" (APA) "GOLDEN CITY" (AP) "CACAPON" "NESHANIC" "CALLIENTE" "ESCADIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JAMESTOWN" (AGP) "OCTANS" (AF) "JASON" (ARL) "CE U" (ARG) "PASQUOTANK" (AOG) "MEDIREUS" "MEDUSA" (AR) "CONTRCL" "SALUTE" (AM) "CHAMBLER" "SOUTHARL" "HOWAC" "HOVEY" "LONG" "PALMER" (AED) "ALAMASTER" (PYC) "PATFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (YN) "MOUNT MCKINLEY" (AGC) "CRUX" "CETUS" "LYMA" "SAGITTARIUS" "COTES" "LAULA" (AK) "LEOPARD" "ARMEN LORIAN" "ARMALILLO" "PORCUPINE" "ADARALAN" (IX) "KINGFISHER" "TANALAN" "TERNA" "RAIL" (AT) "MITHNEY" "SIEGRA" "PIELMONT" (A) "MIXEY" (APH) "MOUNT HOO" (AE) "MILGER" "CLEMSON" (AVD) "POLICE" "ALBANY" "CHARA" "THURAN" (AKA)
 2 ASL 1 ARD: 8 2 AG: 19, 20 3 YP : 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 9 : 1 PS : "SWAN" 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS : "RINDJANI"
 3 AS : "GEELONG" "LATRODE" "STABELL" 1 SC : 743

Auxiliaries 5 : "KOCPA" "LAURABADA" (IG) "PING WO" (MSIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP : 504

Cape Gloucester:
 Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121
 Auxiliaries 2 : "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" "CLAN LAMONT" (APA)

Langemak:
 Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "DARCOO" 4 PC : 218, 505, 1131, 1591
 4 SC : 659, 734, 739, 981
 Auxiliaries 11 : "CLYDE" (IX) "MASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "GAMBLE" (DM)
 "SPENCER" (GPG) "MINDANAO" (ARG) "DULL WHEEL" (YO) "DUNKROON"
 (AP) "OCTANS" "PASTORES" (AF) 1 AFL : 10

Lae:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AS : "WILCANNIA"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "CADRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Oro Bay:
 Escorts 1 : "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS)

Milne Bay:
 Escorts 6 : 1 AS : "COLAC" 2 PC : 479, 1124 2 ML : 806, 817 1 HLML : 1338
 Auxiliaries 10 : "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "PONTUS" (AGP) "DUNGAREE" (CM) "WRIGHT" (AV)
 "YUNNAN" (AE) 1 AFL : 9 2 YP : 233, 449 2 AFL : 5, 12

Port Moresby:
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 810, 819
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/30:

(1) "ANTARES" (AKS) was to depart Emirau about 30 Oct for Espiritu Santo.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 6 : 1 DE : "STABELL" 3 SC : 502, 620, 723 2 YMS : 259, "TUI"
 Auxiliaries 4 : 1 YP : 514 "TAGANAK" (AO) "ALKALD" (AK) "PATAPSCO" (AOG)

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
 Escorts 4 : 2 YMS : 95, 97 1 SC : 1065 1 PC : 606
 Auxiliaries 3 : 2 YP : 348, 520 "CA DES PALMES" (AG)

Torokina:

Escorts 10 : 2 SC : 1178, 1590 1 DE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
 7 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1132, 1242
 Auxiliaries 4 : 1 YP : 515 1 AK : "DRACO" 1 AP : "STRATFORD" 1 AOG : "NETTANEE"

Treasury Is:

Combat units 34 PT
 6 FGM
 Escorts 8 : 1 DE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS : 47
 4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 DE : "GENERAU" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS : "KIWI"
 4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
 Auxiliaries 1 : "WHIPSTOCK" (YO)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/30:

- (1) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (2) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (3) "KATOOMBA" (AF) departed Milne Bay 1300/28 for Townsville ETA 1500/30.
- (4) "GALLONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) with tow departed Milne Bay 0545/29 for Cairns ETA 2145/31.
- (5) "MONA NOCK" (CM) departed Caloundra 1000/29 for Tulagi ETA 1200/22.
- (6) "GEN. W. M. MITCHELL" (AF) departed Port Melbourne 2205/28 for Russel Is ETA 1300/2.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS : "SHERICE" "LENNARCOE"

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

SECRET

Thursday Is:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE"
 Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" "CHALLENGER" (JGS)

Cairns:

Escorts 6 : 1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" 4 ML: 428, 431, 802, 806 1 SS: 699
 Auxiliaries 3 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFD: 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 2 : "POLARIS" (JGS) "GLENEARN" (APA)

D Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 5 SS : "DASH" "FLOUNDER" "GAR" "GUAVINA" "S.42"
 Escorts 15 : 2 AMS: "GLASTONE" "WYALLA" 4 HM: 1129, 1324, 1329, 1353
 1 A/S: "KIBRA" 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 811, 805, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AR) "CARONOLET" (IX) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "LOTHIAN" (APA)
 "MONTEBEY" (AT) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (JGS) "COLLSTAR" (JG) 1 YP: 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"
 1 DE : "STUART"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 12 : 1 PS: "WINGAGO" 6 ML: 426, 810, 818, 819, 822, 823 2 SC: 1039,
 2 AMS: "KAPUNDA" "DUNDAS" 1 A/S: "YANRA" 1266
 Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHITTEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AN)
 "EVANGELINE" (XAC) "OCTORARA" (IX)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 CL : "GAMBIA"
 1 OCL : "ABELLADE"
 Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOONDA" (A/S) "DALLARA" (AM) 2 HM: 1340
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) 1352

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "DATHURST"
 Combat units 1 SS : "TELEMACHUS"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/30:

(1) Task Force 71

On Patrol 22 SS : "ANGLE" "BATTISE" "BERGALL" "DOWFIN" "LACKFIN" "BLUEGILL" "COD"
 "CODIA" "GURNARD" "PLASHEL" "HARRERHEAL" "LADON" "MINGO" "SIREN"
 "PORPOISE" "ROCK" "GUITARRO" "STORM" "STOIC" "TANTIVY" "TANTALUS"
 On Passage 17 SS : "CLYDE" "PARCO" "BARBERO" "BELFIN" "BAY" "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL"
 "HAWKILL" "SEA ROVER" "HARDEAD" "ZWANZFISCH" "CROWLER" "HOE"
 "MUSKELLUNGE" "WAKE" "GUNNEL" "K.15"

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 9 : "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "HORSHAM" "JUNEE" (AMS)
 5 ML: 429, 809, 812, 814, 907

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/30:

- (1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.
 (2) "NIZAM" (LD) departed Fremantle 0800/29 for Port Melbourne ETA 1300/2.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

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

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 DD : "QUICKMATCH"
 3 SS : "CREVALLE" "HADDON" "JACK" "DECUNA" "STURDY" "P.318" "K.14" "O.19"
 Escorts 12 : 1 RF: "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRATZA"
 7 AMS: "DUBBO" "MILLURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "PARKES"
 "WARRAEBOL"
 1 SC: 729 1 ML: 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 7 : "GRIFFIN" "EUKYALE" "MALSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (LY)
 1 AD: 10 1 YP: 236 1 ASR: "COUCAL"

Bunbury:

Escorts 1 : "BUNBURY" (AMS)

(ii) ENEMY FORCESA. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC1. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Tabir Hill midway between Dulag and Tanauan. was captured by our forces 28 Oct. but the enemy is still holding out in prepared positions on Catmon Hill in the same vicinity. Enemy opposition also continues from positions just S. of Tanauan. Enemy casualties are now estimated to total 14,000 of which approx. 6,000 dead have been counted: our casualties remain comparatively light.
- PT boats operating along W. coast Leyte night 23-24 Oct. encountered some 10 barges and 2 small seatrucks, the majority near or heading towards Ormoc: 8 of the barges were sunk and both small sea trucks badly damaged or destroyed.
- At 2335/28 Oct. a submarine was sighted approx. 360 miles E. of Leyte Gulf. This submarine is located well wide of the immediate Leyte Gulf area but 1 submarine was contacted in the immediate vicinity of our forces off E. coast Leyte Is. on 25 Oct. and probably another on 27 Oct.: the submarine located 25 Oct. was claimed as sunk by our surface units. These reports, however, indicate increased enemy submarine activity in the Palau-E. Philippines area.
- On 28 Oct. enemy air activity continued over Leyte Gulf including several suicide dive attacks on battleships, cruisers and escort carriers. Several such planes were destroyed but only superficial damage was sustained by our ships. 50 enemy planes were estimated to have been over Leyte Gulf on 28 Oct. up to 1700 hours. On 29 Oct. only sporadic ineffective raids occurred.
- (2) Palawan - At approx. 1130/29 Oct. a convoy comprising 4 medium sized merchant ships with 3 destroyer escorts was sighted by aircraft in Palawan Passage heading N.E. at 5 knots.
- (3) Manila area - On 29 Oct. probably afternoon, a heavy cruiser reported as "Aoba" class was sighted by U. S. submarine approx. 80 miles outside Manila Bay course 290°, speed 28 knots. Probably this same unit is the cruiser which has been reported in this area several times recently and is probably the heavy cruiser "Aoba" which suffered damage (probably light) as a result of a submarine attack outside Manila early A.M. 23 Oct. It is suggested that this unit has been operating recently in connection with replenishment forces in the Manila-Coron Bay area.

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) Morotai - At 1950/27 Oct. 1 enemy aircraft approached Morotai but apparently no attack was made.
- On 29 Oct. contact was made with a possible submarine off S.W. coast Morotai.
- (2) S. Celebes - Night 28-29 Oct. the dock area at Makassar was bombed by 10 Liberators: 1 enemy night fighter ineffectually attempted interception.
- (3) Makassar Strait - P.M. 29 Oct. reconnaissance aircraft sighted a convoy comprising 2 tankers (1 large 1 medium) and 2 small escort vessels 75 miles S. of Balikpapan course 210°, speed 8 knots: a floatplane was covering the convoy. Preliminary in flight reports indicate that 2 direct bomb hits were scored on the larger tanker.
3. NEW GUINEA - On 29 Oct. Utarom airdrome was bombed by 20 Bostons, 2 Mitchells starting fires in revetments and cratering the runway.
- Also on 29 Oct. stores and personnel areas in the Wewak-Dagua area were attacked by 5 Mitchells, 6 Liberators, 4 Beauforts and on Kairiru Is. by 6 Bostons.
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - On 28 Oct. a supply area near Kieta was attacked by 27 Corsairs. Other air activity was confined to offensive patrols over New Ireland and Bougainville by 26 Dauntless, 4 Mitchells, 2 Venturas, 2 Avengers and 36 Corsairs.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. Battle E. of Philippines 25 Oct. - Tokio radio has admitted the loss of 1 aircraft carrier sunk and 1 aircraft carrier damaged in the recent battle E. of the Philippines. It is recalled that 3rd Fleet Air Carrier Task Groups engaged an enemy aircraft carrier Task Force 200 miles E. of N. Luzon A.M. 25 Oct.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

1. Battle E. of Philippines 25 Oct. (Contd.) - The enemy force is reported to have comprised:-

- 4 carriers (1 Shokaku class, 3 converted types)
- 2 battleships (Ise class)
- 1 heavy cruiser (Mogami class)
- 4 light cruisers (1 Agano class, 3 "three-stackers")
- 5-6 destroyers.

The Tokyo announcement lends support to the claims made of damage inflicted on the enemy by 3rd Fleet Task Groups which were that all of the 4 carriers and 1 destroyer were sunk and that 2 battleships, 1 heavy cruiser, 3 light cruisers, 2-3 destroyers were damaged. Subsequently submarines reported sinking 1 "Kuma" class light cruiser and possibly sinking 1 battleship as a result of torpedo hits N. of the scene of the action.

The sighting A.M. 26 Oct. of 4 aircraft carriers (2 large and 2 converted type) approaching Okinawa Jima from the S. indicates that a second aircraft carrier force was at sea 25-26 Oct. and that probably all available enemy carriers were involved in the 2 groups.

It is tentatively suggested that 2 enemy carrier forces may have comprised:-

A. Group - contacted and attacked.

- 4 aircraft carriers (Zuikaku, Chitose, Chiyoda, Zuiho)
- 2 battleships (Ise and Hyuga)
- 1 heavy cruiser (Mogami or Ibuki)
- 4 light cruisers (1 Agano class, 3 Kuma class)
- 5-6 destroyers

B. Group - not contacted until A.M. 26 Oct.

- 4 aircraft carriers (Unryu, Amagi, Hayataka, Hosho) with escorts, possibly only destroyers.

Available evidence indicates that the latter group proceeded to the Formosa-Luzon area prior to 25 Oct. and shore-based its aircraft before returning to Empire. The former group probably did likewise, as apparently very few aircraft were on the carriers when they were attacked 25 Oct., except that apparently it did not return Empire intact.

2. MANSEI SHOTO - On 28 Oct. 10 merchant vessels with numerous escorts departed Okinawa Jima course S.W. at 8 knots.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Enemy naval activities in Nansei Shoto-E. of Luzon area.
 - (2) Withdrawal enemy major Surface Force remnants to Singapore and Aircraft Carrier force to Empire.
 - (3) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Philippines and sustained air strikes on Blue Force Leyte.
 - (4) Rapid advance Blue Forces on Leyte and Samar.
 - (5) Only small type enemy shipping S. Philippines and E. East Indies.
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandate)

<u>BB</u>	(6)	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND	MISSISSIPPI PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		-	
<u>CV</u>	(1)	BUNKER HILL				-	
<u>CVE</u>	(21)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY	KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MARCUS ISLAND MATOMA BAY	OMMANEY BAY PETROF BAY RUDYERD BAY SAGINAW BAY SANGAMON SAMTEE	SAVO ISLAND SITKOH BAY SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS WINDHAM BAY	-	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS	PORTLAND SHROPSHIRE	-	
<u>CL</u>	(10)	ADELAIDE BOISE	COLUMBIA DENVER	GAMBIA #HOBART	* HONOLULU PHOENIX NASHVILLE TROMP	-	
<u>AV</u>	(3)	CURRITUCK	TANGIER	WRIGHT		-	
<u>AVP</u>	(8)	BELKNAP CHINCOCTEAGUE	GOLDSBOROUGH HALF MOON	HERON ORCA	SAN CARLOS SAN PABLO	-	
<u>DD</u>	(107)	ABBOTT ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON ARUNTA AULICK A.W.GRANT BACHE BADGER BEALE BENHAM BLACK BRAINE BRYANT BUSH CALDWELL CAPPS CHAUNCEY CLAXTON CLEMSON COGHLIN CONY	CONYGHAM C.T.BADGER DALY DASHTELL DAVID W.TAYLOR DRAYTON EDWARDS ERBEN EVANS FLETCHER FLUSSER FRANKS GANSEVOORT HAILEY HALE HAGGARD HALFORD HALL HALLIGAN HARADEN HARRISON HAZELWOOD	HEIRMAN H.L.EDWARDS HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS ISHERWOOD JENKINS JOHN RODGERS KIDD KILLEN LAMSON LANG LA VALLETTE LEUTZE MACDONOUGH MACKEE MCCORD MCDERMOTT MCGOWAN MCNAIR MAHAN	MEEVEN MERTZ MONSSEN MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN NEWCOMB NICHOLAS O'BANNON PENNINGTON PICKING RATHBURNE REID REMY RINGGOLD ROBINSON ROSS R.P.LEARY RUSSELL SCHROEDER STAY	SIGOURNEY SIGSBEE SMITH SPROSTON STACK STEMBEL STEPHEN POTTER STEVENS STUART TAYLOR THATCHER THORN TRATHEN TWIGGS VENDETTA WALKER WARRAMUNGA WELLES WILKES	-
<u>SS</u>	(17)	BASHAW DACE FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GLAVINA K.9 K.12	NERWHAL NAUTILUS POLLACK	SEA WOLF S.42 STINGRAY S.45 TARPON S.47	10	
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175				-	

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.
Non-effective

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>AKA</u>	(75)	ALMAAK (AKA)	DURAGE (APA)	LAMAR (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>		ALSHAIN	ELMCRE	MANOCRA	
<u>APD</u>		ALYCONE	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	MONROVIA	
		AQUARIUS	EMPIRE SPEARHEAD	ORMSBY	
		CAPRICORNUS	FAYETTE	PIERCE	
		DIPHDA	FELAND	PRES. HAYES	
		ELECTRA	F. FUNSTON	SHERIDAN	
		O'HARA	KRMONT	SUMTER	
		THUBAN	FULLER	WARREN	
		ALPINE (APA)	GEO. CLYMER	WAYNE	
		ARIADNE	GLENEARN	WESTRALIA	
		A. T. MIDDLETON	GOLDEN CITY	WINDSOR	
		BARNSTABLE	HARRIS	W. P. BIDDLE	
		FAXTER	HEYWOOD	BROOKS (APD)	
		BOLIVAR	H. T. ALLEN	CROSBY	
		CALLAWAY	J. F. BELL	HERBERT	
		CALVERT	JAMES O'HARA	HUMPHREYS	
		CAMBERIA	KANIMBLA	KANE	
		CAVALIER	KNOX	KILTY	
		CLAN LAMONT	LEEDSTOWN	MANLEY	
		CLAY	LELAND	OVERTON	
		CLEMSON	LEON	SANDS	
		CUSTER	LEONARD WOOD	SCHELY	
		CRESCENT CITY	LEO OLYMAN	TALBOT	
		DOYEN	LOTHIAN	WARD	
<u>AGC</u>	(6)	APPALACHIAN	MOUNT OLYMPUS	ROCKY MOUNT	-
		BLUE RIDGE	MOUNT MICKINLEY	WASATCH	
<u>AS</u>	(3)	HOLLAND	ORION	OTUS	-
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA	WHITNEY	-
		PIEDMONT			
<u>AR</u>	(4)	BRIAREUS	PLATYPUS	RIGEL	-
		MEDUSA			
<u>ARB</u>	(1)	MIDAS			-
<u>ARC</u>	(4)	CEBU	MINDANAO	OGLALA	-
		CULEBRA ISLAND			
<u>AL</u>	(1)	JASON			-
<u>ARL</u>	(3)	ACHILLES	AMYCUS	REMUS	-
<u>ARS</u>	(3)	CABLE	PRESERVER	VENT	-
<u>ISD</u>	(10)	ASHLAND	GUNSTON HALL		-
		BELLEGRIVE	LINDENWALL		
		CARTER HALL	OAKHILL		
		CASA GRANDE	RUSHMORE		
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Area)

	# ALLIED FORCES			Philippines S. China Sea (Incl. Singapore)	Empire
<u>BB</u>	(14) ALABAMA COLORADO IDAHO INDIANA IOWA	MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NORTH CAROLINA	*OKLAHOMA SOUTH DAKOTA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN	(5) HARUNA)all MUSASHI)damaged NAGATO)some YAMATO)prob. KONGO)sunk	
<u>BB/XCV</u>	-	-	-	-	(2) HUYGA ISE
<u>CV</u>	(11) ENTERPRISE ESSEX FRANKLIN	HANCOCK HORNET INTREPID LEXINGTON	SARATOGA TICONDEROGA WASP YORKTOWN	-	(5) AMAGI HAYATAKA TAIHO UNRYU ZUIKAKU (reptd. sunk)
<u>CVL</u>	(8) BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD CABOT	COWPENS INDEPENDENCE LANGLEY	MONTEREY SAN JACINTO	-	(5) RYUHO (poss. sunk) CHITOSE) reptd CHIYODA) sunk ZUIHO) HOSHO
<u>CVE</u>	(28) ADMIRALTY IS. ALTAMAMA ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BRETON BUCARELI BAY CASABLANCA COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR HOLLANDIA KWAJALEIN LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MAKIN ISLAND MUNDA NASSAU	NEHEMIA BAY PRINCE WILLIAM ROI SALAMAU SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY STEAMER BAY TULAGI THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	(8) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER	INDIANAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA	SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO	(13) *AOBA *TAKAO ATAGO)2 rep. sunk MAYA)other CHOKAI)damaged TONE)at least CHIKUMA)2 sunk. MYOKO)others HAGURO)damaged. KUMANO NACHI SUZUYA ASHIGARA	MOGAMI
<u>OCA</u> <u>CL</u>	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND DETROIT HOUSTON *LEANDER	- MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELIER OAKLAND RALEIGH RENO	RICHMOND SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS TRENTON VINCENNES	(4) KINU KITAGAMI NOSHIRO YAHAGI (all damgd. some poss. sunk)	6 (6) ABUKUMA ISUZU KISO OYODO SAKAWA TAMA
<u>CLT</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR	CURTISS	POCOMOKE	-	(2) ASKITSUSHIMA *NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 150			25	25 (Several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
		?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Ineffective

Some of these units operating temporarily in S.W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>				<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>				<u>Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-	(4)	HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH RENOWN VALLANT	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	ILLUSTRICUS INDOMITABLE VICTORIOUS	-
	-	(6)	AMEER ATHELING BATTLER	BEGUM SHAH UNICORN
<u>CA</u>	-	(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK
<u>CL</u>	-		ACHILLES CEYLON	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE
<u>AV/ CVS</u>	-		ALBATROSS	-
<u>CL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON	CHITRAL
	(2)	NIZAM	QUICKMATCH	Approx. 27
<u>SS</u>	(49)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BREAM CERO COBIA COD	CREVALLE FLASHER GROWLER GUITARO GUNNEL GURNARD HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK
		CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR	SPITEFUL STOIC STORM STURDY	TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS
		K.14 K.15	0.19	ZWAARDFISCH
<u>AS</u>	(3)	EURYALE	GRIFFIN	MAIDSTONE

10 (poss. all German)

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	-	136	160	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	41	48	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	88	58	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	57	33	0
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	343	377	19

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

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

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/31:

(1) (a) Task Force 77:-

Task Group 77.1: 3 DD: "MISSISSIPPI" "CALIFORNIA" "PENNSYLVANIA"

1 CA: "SHROPSHIRE"

3 CL: "PHOENIX" "NASHVILLE" "DOISE"

13 LD: "ARUNTA" "ADNER READ" "AMMEN" "DENNION" "BRYANT" "DUSH"
"CLAXTON" "H.L. EDWARDS" "KILLEN" "LEUTZE" "NEWCOMB"
"ROBINSON" "R.P. LEARY"

Special Task Group A: 3 CA: "LOUISVILLE" "PORTLAND" "MINNEAPOLIS"

3 LD: "HALFORD" "THORN" "WELLES"

B: 1 DD: "TENNESSEE"

3 DL: "BACHE" "DEALE" "MULLANY"

C: 2 BB: "WEST VIRGINIA" "MARYLAND"

2 CL: "DENVER" "CLEVELAND"

D: 1 AGC: "WASATCH"

2 DD: "HUTCHINS" "DALY"

Task Group 77.4: 12 CVE: "KADASHAN BAY" "OHMANEY BAY" "SANTEE" "PETROF BAY"
"SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "MARCUS ISLAND" "MANILA BAY"
"NATOMA BAY" "SAVO ISLAND" "CHENANGO" "SAGINAW BAY"

1 PC: 742

11 DL: "O'BANNON" "TAYLOR" "MACDONOUGH" "NICHOLAS" "HAZELWOOD"
"TRATHEN" "HAILEY" "HAGGARD" "FRANKS" "LANG" "MCCOY"

11 DE: "R.M. ROWELL" "EVERSOLE" "J.C. BUTLER" "R.S. BULL" "RAYMOND"
"W.C. WANN" "STAFFORD" "AMERCROMDIE" "R.W. SUESSENS"
"E. MONLS" "OBERREINLER"

(b) Task Forces 78 and 79:-

(i) Echelon I6 (19 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AN 4 PF).

Echelon I7 (22 AT 1 IX 1 PF).

Echelon I8 (8 LSD 2 LD).

Echelon I9 (21 AP/AK 3 AK 1 AMS 3 PF)

(ii) Task Group 78.7.1: 21 LS 3 PC: 1120, 1122, 1129 1 DL: "HOPEWELL"

1 PF: "MUSKOGEE"

(2) Task Force 72:

On Patrol 6 SS: "SEA WOLF" "PERMIT" "FLYING FISH" "DACE" "NAUTILUS" "CERO"

On Passage 6 SS: "POLLACK" "STINGRAY" "NARTHAL" "DASHA" "FLOUNDER" "GUAVINAF"

(3) "KWAJALEIN" (CVE) proceeding to Manus Is ETA 1700/1 Nov.

(4) "HAWKESBURY" (PF) escorting Convoy MK2 (1 AP/AK) departed Manus 1600/20 for Kossol
Passage ETA 0800/1.

(5) "KATOOMEA" "ROCKHAMPTON" (AMS) escorting Convoy GD 710 (2 AP/AK) departed Morotai
0700/29 for Biak due 1200/31.

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

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- (6) "LONG BEACH" (PF) escorting 4 LCI departed Humboldt 1730/28 for Biak and Sansapor.
- (7) "PHOBOS" (AK) departed Manus 0700/29 for Noumea ETA 7 Nov.
- (8) "TANGIER" (AT) departed Milne Bay 1307/29 for Cape Nelson ETA 0400/30.
- (9) "DINGER" (AG) was to depart Alexishafen 0500/23 for Woendi.

(b) In Harbour:

Manus:

Combat units 29 PT
 Escorts 7 : 2 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "LITHGOW"
 5 PF: "ALLEN TOWN" "SANDUSKY" "CHARLOTTSVILLE" "DURBIN" "MACHIE"
 Auxiliaries 33 : 1 AV: "TANGIER" 2 AVP: "ORCA" "SAN PAOLO" 1 AGP: "HODJACK"
 2 AG: "ELKHORN" "RIO GRANDE" 1 AO: "TRINITY" 15 AP/AK
 2 YFD 2 YPF 2 YO 2 YOG 1 YP: 236

Sansapor:

Combat units 8 PT
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 232

Biak-Woendi:

Combat units 1 SS: "BLUEGILL"
 Escorts 44 PT
 7 : 7 AMS: "BENLIGO" "BROOME" "DELOIRINE" "STRAHAN" "GOULDBURN"
 "KIAMA" "COMRA"
 Auxiliaries 20 : "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "FORESTES" (AGP) "KURUBA"
 "VICTORIA" (AO) "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AG) "LARK" (AM)
 "HAETSUYCKER" "TASMAN" (AH) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "REMUS" (ARL)
 "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "TEABERRY" (YN) 2 YFL
 2 YP: 237, 238

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 1 : "GLENEARN" (AMS)
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SHAWNEE" (AT)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat units 29 LL: "ABDOT" "ANDERSON" "BLACK" "C.J. BALGER" "DASHIELL" "ERBEN"
 "HALE" "HARRISON" "HOWORTH" "HUGHES" "ISHERWOOD" "JENKINS"
 "JOHN RODGERS" "KILL" "LANG" "MCLEMMOTT" "MCGOWAN" "MELVIN"
 "MERTZ" "MONSSEN" "MORRIS" "MURRAY" "PICKING" "REHNEY" "RUSSEL"
 "SPROSTON" "WALKER" "WARRAMUNGA" "WILKES"
 Escorts 28 : 1 AMS: "GYMPIE" 2 PF: "DURLINGTON" "CARSON CITY"
 7 YMS: 3, 8, 47, 51, 233, 334, 384 7 SC: 695, 703, 738, 743, 745, 749,
 11 PC: 84, 462, 464, 470, 563, 598, 695, 812, 1129, 1137, 1180 /1004
 Auxiliaries 103 : "W.P. BIDDLE" "ARIANE" "WARREN" "LAMAR" "WINDSOR" "F. FUNSTON"
 "A.T. MITCHELTON" "DAXTER" "CALLAWAY" "CLAY" "SHERIDAN" "ALP"
 "KNOX" "CRESCENT CITY" "CUSTER" "DOLIVAR" "DOYEN" "FAYETTE"
 "HENRY T. ALLEN" "ORMSBY" "LEEDSTOWN" "DUPAGE" "WAYNE" "FULLER"
 (APA) "COMET" "WARHAWK" "GEN. H.L. SCOTT" "G.F. ELLIOT" "STARLIGHT"
 (AP) "MUNOCH" "KANIMBLA" "WESTRALIA" (LSI) "HERON" (AVP)
 "CHEPACHET" "BISHOPALE" (AO) "AURIGA" "MERCURY" "GANYMEDE"
 "HERCULES" (AK) "CAPRICORNUS" "TITANIA" "AQUARIUS" "LIPHA"
 "ALYCOONE" "ALMACK" (AKA) "SHIKELLAMY" "SUSQUEHANNA" (AG)
 "ACUBENS" (AKS) "LODIN" (AL) "MILAS" (AR) "CABLE" "PRESERVE"
 (AGS) "CHETCO" "RESERVE" "HILATSA" "POTOWAMI" "MENOMINEE" (AT)
 "LERRICK" (YO) "CINNAMON" (AN) "POYANG" "PYRO" (LE) "AMYCUS"
 (ARL) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (AG) "OTUS" (AS) "STAG" (AT)
 "BLUE RIDGE" "MT. OLYMPUS" "MT. MCKINLEY" "ROCK MOUNT" (AG)
 "VILLALOBOS" "ETAHIN" (IX) "SAPINLEAF" (YN) "BUTTONWOOL" (CGC)
 "DROOKS" "OVERTON" "BELKNAP" "KILTY" "CROSLY" "SANDS" "KANE"
 "SCHLEY" "GOLDSBOROUGH" (AP) "RUSHMORE" (LSL) "PREBLE" (LM)
 "MONITOR" "CATSKILL" (LSV) "ELLIOT" "DREEZE" (DMS) 2 YFL
 1 ATR: 31 5 YP: 215, 240, 283, 291, 292
 2 ARE: 7, 12 4 AFD: 11, 16, 24, 25

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

SECRET

Atape:

Escorts 1 : "WAGGAM" (AMS)
Auxiliaries 1 : "MERKUR" (AF)

Admiralties:

Combat units 1 CV : "DUNKER HILL"
6 CVE : "NEHEMIA DAY" "CAPE ESPERANCE" "KALININ DAY" "KITKUN DAY"
"FANSHAW DAY" "WHITE PLAINS"

1 CA : "AUSTRALIA"

1 CL : "HONOLULU"

12 LE : "EVANS" "STEPHEN POTTER" "DENHAM" "GANSEVOORT" "RATHBURN"
"DRAINE" "STEMMEL" "LUCE" "CHAUNCEY" "TWIGGS" "HALLIGAN"
"HARDEN"

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

4 PT

Escorts 29 : 3 LE : "DELAHANTY" "EICHENBERGER" "LE RAY WILSON" "CADANA"
"REBY" "JAMES E. CRAIG" "DELE" "PARKES" 1 ML: 827
2 SC : 747, 902 2 PC : 500, 1124

Auxiliaries 72 : 16 YMS: 2, 6, 9, 10, 40, 48, 53, 97, 313, 315, 316, 319, 329, 336, 393, 481
"HUMPHREYS" "MANLEY" "TALBOT" (APL) "CAVALIER" "PRES. HAYES"
"CAMBRIA" "GEO. CLYMER" "J.F. DELL" "CILVERT" "FELAND" "HEYWOOD"
"MONROVIA" (APA) "GOLDEN CITY" (AP) "CACAPON" "NESHANIC"
"CALIENTE" "ESCALIA" "CHIKASKIA" (AO) "JAMESTOWN" (AGP)
"OCTANS" "CALAMARES" (AF) "JASON" (ARL) "CEBU" (ARG) "MELUSA"
"TRIAREUS" (AR) "PASQUOTANK" (AGG) "CONTROL" "SALUTE" (AM)
"CHAMBER" "HAMILTON" "SOUTHARD" "HOVEY" "LONG" "PALMER" (LMS)
"ALDISTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "TORCHWOOD" (YN) "CRUX"
"CETUS" "LYRA" "SAGITTARIUS" "CHARA" "TRIANGULUM" "BOOTES"
"SHAULA" (AK) "LEOPARD" "ANDREW LORRA" "ARMA ILLO" "ADAGENA"
"PORCUPINE" (IX) "KINGFISHER" "TAVIA" "TERN" "RAIL" (AT)
"WHITNEY" "SIERRA" "PIELMONT" (AL) "RIXEY" (APH) "BILGER"
"CLEMSON" (AVL) "MOUNT HOOD" (AE) "ALSHAIN" "THUDAN" (AKA)
2 ASDL 1 AFD: 8 2 APD: 19, 20 3 YP: 280, 288, 585

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 8 : 1 PS : "SWAN" 3 ML : 802, 812, 825 1 YMS: "RINLJANI"
2 AMS: "LATROBE" "STAVELL" 1 SC : 743

Auxiliaries 5 : "KOOPAN" "LAURABALL" (AG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "WATO" (AT) 1 YP: 504

Cape Gloucester:

Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 1121
Auxiliaries 2 : "EMPIRE ARQUEBUS" "CLAN LAMONT" (APA)

Langenak:

Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "BARCOO" 4 PC : 218, 585, 1131, 1591
4 SC : 659, 734, 739, 981

Auxiliaries 15 : "CLYDE" (IX) "LASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "GAMBLE" (LM)
"SPENCER" (GPG) "NEWMAN" "LIDDLE" "KEPHART" "COFER" "LLOYD"
(APL) "MINJANAO" (ARG) "BULL WHEEL" (YO) "DUNTROON" (AP)
"PASTORES" (AF) 1 ML: 10

Lae:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "WILCANNIA"
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMERIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Milne Bay:

Escorts 6 : 2 AMS: "COLAC" "TOWNSVILLE" 2 ML: 806, 817 1 HML: 1338
1 PC : 479

Auxiliaries 9 : "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "PONTUS" (AGP) "DUNGAREE" (CM) "WRIGHT" (AV)
"YUNNAN" (AE) 1 AFD: 9 1 YP : 449 2 AFL: 5, 12

Port Moresby:

Escorts 2 : 2 ML : 810, 819
Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

SECRET

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea to 1200/31:

- (1) "IGALAM" (ACG) was to depart Tulagi 31 Oct for Torokina ETA 1 Nov.
- (2) "TIGANAK" (AO) departed Enirau 30 Oct for Lunga ETA 1600/2.
- (3) "PATAPSCO" (ACG) was to depart Enirau prior dark 30 Oct for Lunga.
- (4) "NETTAE" (ACG) proceeding Torokina to Tulagi ETA 1600/31.

(b) In Harbour:

Enirau:

Escorts 7 : 1 LE : "STATFELD" 3 SC: 502, 620, 723 3 YMS: 97, 259, "TUI"
Auxiliaries 3 : 2 YP : 233, 514 "ALKALD" (AK)

Green Is:

Combat units 12 PT
Escorts 3 : 1 YMS: 95 1 SC : 1065 1 PC : 606
Auxiliaries 3 : 2 YP : 348, 520 "CAP LES PALMES" (AG)

Torokina:

Escorts 10 : 2 SC : 1188, 1590 1 LE : "WILLIAM C. COLE"
7 PC : 476, 477, 596, 598, 1123, 1132, 1242
Auxiliaries 2 : 1 YP : 515 1 AK : "ERICO"

Treasury Is:

Combat units 42 PT
6 PGM
Escorts 8 : 1 LE : "PAUL G. BAKER" 1 PC : 605 1 YMS: 47
4 SC : 677, 722, 1074, 1269 1 YP : 348
Auxiliaries 1 : "STRATFORD" (AP)

Munda:

Escorts 7 : 1 LE : "GENEVAU" 1 PC : 1129 1 YMS: "KINI"
4 SC : 702, 999, 514, 1267
Auxiliaries 1 : "WHIPSTOCK" (YO)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA

(a) At Sea to 1200/31:

- (1) "SC.699" departed Cairns 1000/29 for Milne Bay.
- (2) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) was to depart Caloundra 1000/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/4.
- (3) "VENUS" (AK) departed Sydney 0926/21 for Manus ETA 1500/31.
- (4) "WHITE BEAR" (AGS) departed Brisbane 1000/17 for Hollandia.
- (5) "GALELONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) with tow departed Milne 0545/29 for Cairns ETA 2145/31.
- (6) "DOWEN" (AMS) towing "KLITH" (AM) departed Thursday Is 1415/28 for Townsville ETA 1500/31.
- (7) "NIZAM" (LL) departed Fremantle 0800/29 for Port Melbourne ETA 1300/2.

(b) In Harbour:

Merauke:

Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "PIEPIE" "FREMANTLE"
Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" "CHALLENGER" (AGS)

Cairns:

Escorts 5 : 1 AMS: "KALGOOLIE" 4 ML : 428, 431, 802, 806
Auxiliaries 3 : "FINE ISLAM" (AT) "EMPIRE SPEARHEAD" (APA) 1 AFD: 3

Townsville:

Auxiliaries 3 : "POLARIS" (AGS) "GLENEARN" (APA) "KATOOMBA" (AP)

Dowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "HEROS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat units 2 SS : "GAR" "S.42"
Escorts 15 : 2 AMS: "GLESTONE" "WHYALLA" 4 H.ML: 1129, 1324, 1329, 1353
1 AMS: "KYERA" 8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 811, 805, 820, 821

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(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)

Brisbane: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 7 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONOLET" (IX) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "LOTHIAN" (APA) "MONTELEONE" (AT) "GOLSTAR" (AG) 1 YP : 420

Sydney:

Combat units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "TROMP"

1 LD : "STUART"

2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"

Escorts 12 : 1 PS : "MARIEGO" 6 ML : 426, 616, 618, 619, 622, 623
2 AMS : "KAPUNLA" "BUNDBERG" 1 A/S : "YANLRA" 2 SC : 1039, 1266

Auxiliaries 6 : "RIGEL" (AR) "POINT LOMA" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AN)
"EVANGELINE" (XAPC) "OCTORAR" (IX)

Melbourne:

Combat units 1 CL : "GAMBIA"

1 OCL : "MELBAIDE"

Escorts 5 : "ABRAHAM" "CRIJNSEN" "LOONDA" (L/S) "DALLARAT" (AM) 2 H ML : 134-1200

Auxiliaires 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS : "BATHURST"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/31:

Task Force 71:

On Patrol 21 SS : "ANGLER" "DANFISH" "BERGALL" "DOWFIN" "ELICKFIN" "GUNNEL" "RAY"
"GROWLER" "COILIA" "GURNARD" "HAKE" "HARHEAD" "LAPON" "MINGO"
"MUSKELLUNGE" "RATON" "ROCK" "GUITARRO" "STORM" "TANTALUS"

On Passage 17 SS : "CLYDE" "PARGO" "BARGERO" "REDFIN" "DIYA" "CAVALLA" "SPITEFUL"
"JACK" "HAMMERHEAD" "PATTLE" "SEA ROVEL" "ZWARBFISCH" "HOE"
"STOIC" "TANTIVY" "SILMAR" "K.15"

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Escorts 9 : 4 AMS : "ECHUCA" "CASTLEMAINE" "HORSHAM" "JUNEE"
4 ML : 429, 609, 612, 614, 907

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/31:

(1) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) departed Fremantle 15 Oct for Darwin via Exmouth Gulf.

(b) In Harbour:

Onslow:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML : 615

Fremantle:

Combat units 1 LD : "QUICKMATCH"
9 SS : "CREVALLE" "HALLO" "FLASHER" "HARKILL" "DECUNA" "STUR Y"
"TELEMACHUS" "P.310" "K.14"

Escorts 12 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE DRIZZA"
7 AMS : "DUBBO" "MILLURA" "LAUNCESTON" "INVERELL" "PARKES"
"WARRAMBOOL"

Auxiliaries 7 : 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 624 2 YIS : 11, 72
"GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MILLSTONE" (AS) "ISRAEL" (PY)
1 ARL : 10 1 YP : 286 1 ASR : "COUCAL"

Bunbury:

Escorts 1 : "BUNBURY" (AMS)

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(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

PHILIPPINES

- (1) Leyte - Satisfactory progress continues in all sectors in Leyte area. Samar Is. is now entirely in the hands of the guerillas or our forces with the exception of some sections of the Central part of the Is. and on the West coast in addition to odd pockets where the enemy are holding out.

On Leyte Is. proper new ground has been covered by our patrols operating inland from Dulag pushing S. and S.E. of Santa Ana and S. of La Plaz. In addition patrols are operating along the mountain road running W. from Abuyog towards Baybay. On the main road between Palo and Barugo (N. coast) our forces have secured the bridgehead over the Mainit River near Cavite and have pushed S.W. to occupy Jaro and N.E. to form a junction (not yet accomplished) with other forces moving S.E. from San Miguel. The upper heights of Catmon Hill (midway between Dulag and Tanauan) have been captured by our forces although the enemy still occupies positions on Eastern slopes. Other organized enemy resistance of any consequence in the general Leyte valley - N.E. Leyte Is. area is confined to the Northern outskirts of Dagami and just S. of Panauan.

Our PT boats are active nightly in the Surigao Strait area and in Ormoc Bay encountering considerable opposition from enemy aircraft: a number of enemy small craft have been encountered by the PT boats and the majority destroyed.

- X (2) Luzon - On 29 Oct. enemy airfields in S. Luzon and shipping in Manila Bay were attacked by aircraft from 3rd Fleet Task Groups. 65 enemy aircraft were shot down mainly over Clark Field and Central Luzon; 12 enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground on various fields and several additional destroyed on the ground at Nichols Field. Our losses amounted to 4 fighters. Enemy aircraft made some counter-attacks during the day against our Task Group and 12 were shot down; only slight damage and some casualties were suffered by our ships despite several attempted suicide dives.

Photos taken after the strikes show a minimum of 160 aircraft on Clark and Nichols Fields of which 30 were on Nichols Field and 130 (45 single engine, 85 twin engine aircraft) were on Clark Field.

X Shipping sighted in Manila Bay included 2 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 4 destroyers and 23 merchant ships (8 medium, 15 small): 1 heavy cruiser, previously damaged, was hit by 2-1000 lb. bombs and claimed as probably sunk while another of the cruisers was damaged and a tanker was hit near Cavite.

- X (3) E. Coast Philippines - At 1230/28 Oct. an enemy submarine was attacked by surface craft off E. coast Central Philippines and believed sunk as debris and human remains were picked up.

Apparently another submarine was still in the area night 28 Oct. as a torpedo attack was reported by 1 of our Task Groups 190 miles E.N.E. of San Bernardino Strait.

Recent reports indicate that at least 3 enemy submarines have been operating in the E. coast of Philippines-Palau area from 25-29 Oct. Of these 2 are believed to have been destroyed leaving at least 1 still in the area.

- X (4) Palawan - Preliminary in flight reports from aircraft indicate:-
(a) Convoy comprising 4 transports and 4 other vessels seen at about 0115/30 Oct. off St. Paul Bay at the Northern entrance to Palawan Passage course N. and possibly the same convoy seen at about 1300/30 Oct. some 65 miles further N.E. off Bacuit Bay on course 30°.
(b) 2 warships described as heavy cruisers at about 0300/30 Oct. in the center of the N. exit from Palawan Passage sighted, course 25°.
(c) A force reported as including 4 heavy cruisers, 3 destroyers, seen shortly before 0230/31 Oct. anchored in Bacuit Bay.

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(ii) ENEMY FORCES

2. EAST INDIES

- (1) S. Celebes - Photos 29 Oct. of the Makassar area show 1-3000 ton merchant vessel 1 small merchant vessel, 10 sea trucks, 9 luggers and many small craft in Makassar Harbor in addition to 6 floatplanes. Runways at Limboeng and Boelodowang are serviceable with 2 bombers on the former and 2 fighters on the latter.
 - (2) N. Borneo - Photos 29 Oct. show:-
 Miri: 8 bombers, 1 fighter: the old peacetime strip and surrounding dispersal areas have been considerably extended and other runways are under construction.
 Labuan: 13 bombers, 7 fighters: a well developed airfield with construction of dispersal areas in progress.
 Sandakan: 17 bombers, 9 fighters: new runways under construction.
 At approx. 1100/29 Oct. 2 sea truck type vessels were attacked by a Liberator off Sandakan: the smaller was destroyed and the larger damaged.
 - (3) Soemba-Soembawa - Photos 29 Oct. show runways at Waikalo and Waivalia (on Soemba) and on Bima (on Soembawa) are all serviceable although no aircraft are present: only a few small craft and barges are shown by these photos at Bima and Waingapoe
 At 1235/30 Oct. Matawai, on S.E. Soemba Is. was bombed by 6 Mitchells
3. NEW GUINEA - Personnel and stores areas in the general Wewak area were attacked 30 Oct. by 5 Bostons, 5 Mitchells and 6 Liberators.
4. BISMARCKS - SOLOMONS - On 29 Oct. enemy positions at Pondo, in Open Bay, were attacked by 20 Dauntless, 8 Mitchells and 12 Corsairs and plantation buildings near Fanga-lawa Bay (N.E. coast New Ireland) were attacked by 11 Dauntless, 16 Corsairs. On the same day personnel areas near Kahili were attacked by 15 Dauntless, 1 Avenger, 16 Corsairs. In addition on 29 Oct. offensive patrols were conducted over the area generally by Corsairs and Venturas.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

- 1. CAROLINES - On 28 Oct. Dublon Is. in the Truk Atol was bombed by 14 Super-fortresses from a Marianas base. This is the first occasion that Super-fortresses have been used from Cenpac bases. 2 enemy fighters were airborne but no interception was attempted. 3 small ships were observed off Dublon Is. in addition to a few small craft possibly AA ships.
- CHINA COAST - At 2010/30 Oct. a convoy of 13 ships reported to include at least some naval vessels was sighted by aircraft 60 miles S.S.E. of Hong Kong, course 125°, possibly heading for Manila.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Withdrawal enemy Aircraft Carrier Force to Empire and the major surface force remnants to Singapore-Brunai Bay area, probably temporarily.
- (2) Continued enemy air reinforcement of Philippines and sustained air strikes on Blue Force Leyte.
- (3) Rapid advance Blue Forces on Leyte and Samar.
- (4) Continued support of Blue aircraft carrier Task Forces for Leyte operations.
- (5) Only small type enemy shipping S. Philippines and E. East Indies.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

* Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Manda)

<u>BB</u>	(6)	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND	MISSISSIPPI PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE WEST VIRGINIA		
<u>CV</u>	(1)	BUNKER HILL				
<u>CVE</u>	(21)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY	KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MARJUS ISLAND MATOMA BAY	OMMANEY BAY PETROF BAY RUDYERD BAY SAGINAW BAY SANGAMON SANTEE	SAVO ISLAND SITKOH BAY SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS WINDHAM BAY	
<u>CA</u>	(5)	AUSTRALIA	LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS	PORTLAND	SHROPSHIRE
<u>CL</u>	(10)	ADELAIDE BOISE	COLUMBIA DENVER	GAMBIA #HOBIART	* HONOLULU NASHVILLE	PHOENIX TROMP
<u>AW</u>	(3)	CURRITUCK	TANGIER	WRIGHT		
<u>AVI</u>	(8)	BELKNAP CHINCOTEAGUE	GOLDSBOROUGH HALF MOON	HERON ORCA	SAN CARLOS SAN PABLO	
<u>DD</u>	(105)	ABBOTT ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON ARUNTA MULICK A.W.GRANT BACHE BADGER BEALE BENHAM BLACK BRAINE BRYANT BUSH CALDWELL CAPPS CHAUNCEY CLAXTON CLEMSON COGHLAN CONY	CONYGHAM C.T.BADGER DALY DASHIELL DAVID W.TAYLOR DRAYTON EDWARDS ERBEN EVANS FLETCHER FLUSSER FRANIS GANSEVOORT HAILEY HALE HAGGARD HALFORD HALL HALLIGAN HARLDEN HARRISON HAZELWOOD	HEERMAN H.L.EDWARDS HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS ISHERWOOD JENKINS JOHN RODGERS KIDD KILLEN LAMSON LANG LA VALLETTE LEUTZE MACDONOUGH MCCORD MODERMOTT MCGOWAN MCMAIR MAHAN	MEEVEN MERTZ MONSSEN MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN NEWCOMB NICHOLAS O'BANNON PENNING PICKING RATHBURNE REID RENEY ROBINSON ROSS R.P.LEARY RUSSELL SCHROEDER STAN	SIGOURNEY SMITH SPROSTON STACK STEMBEL STEPHEN POTTER STEVENS STUART TAYLOR THATCHER THORN TRATHEN TWIGGS VENDETTA WALKER WARRAMUNGA WELLES WILKES WILLIAM D. PORTER
<u>SS</u>	(17)	B.SHLAW DACE FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH GAR GULVINA K.9 K.12	MERWAL NAUTILUS POLLACK	SEA WOLF STINGRAY TARPON	S.42 S.45 S.47

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PT Approx. 175

* Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily at sea in S.W.P.
Non-effective.

1. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)

ENEMY FORCES
(Incl. Mandates)

<u>AKA</u>	(72)	ALMAAK (AKA)	DURAGE (APA)	LAMAR (APA)	-
<u>APA</u>		ALSHAIN	ELMORE	MANOCRA	
<u>APD</u>		ALYCONE	EMPIRE ARQUEBUS	MONROVIA	
		AQUARIUS	EMPIRE SEELARHEAD	ORMSBY	
		CAPRICORNUS	FAYETTE	PIERCE	
		DIPHDA	FELAND	PRES. HAYES	
		ELECTRA	F. FUNSTON	SHERIDAN	
		O'HARA	FARMONT		
		THUBAN	FULLER	WAGNER	
		ALPINE (APA)	GEO. CLYMER	WAYNE	
		ARIADNE	GLENEARN	WESTRALIA	
		A. T. MIDDLETON	GOLDEN CITY	WINDSOR	
		BARNSTABLE	HARRIS	W. P. BIDDLE	
		FAKTER	HEYWOOD	BROOKS (APD)	
		BOLIVAR	H. T. ALLEN	CROSBY	
			J. F. BELL	HERBERT	
		CALVERT	JAMES O'HARA	HUMPHREYS	
		CAMBRIA	KANIMBLA	KANE	
		CAVALIER	KNOX	KILTY	
		CIA N LAMONT	LEEDSTOWN	MANLEY	
		CLAY	LELAND	OVERTON	
		CLEMSON		SANDS	
		CUSTER	LEONARD WOOD	SCHELY	
		CRESCENT CITY	LEO OLYMAN	TALBOT	
		DOYEN	LOTHIAN	WARD	
<u>AGC</u>	(6)	APPALACHIAN	MOUNT OLYMPUS	ROCKY MOUNT	-
		BLUE RIDGE	MOUNT MICKINLEY	WASATCH	
<u>AS</u>	(3)	HOLLAND	ORION	OTUS	-
<u>AD</u>	(4)	DOBBIN	SIERRA	WHITNEY	-
		PIEDMONT			
<u>AR</u>	(4)	BRIAREUS	PLATYPUS	RIGEL	-
		MEDUSA			
<u>ARB</u>	(1)	MIDAS			-
<u>ARC</u>	(4)	CEBU	MINDANAO	OGLALA	-
		CULEBRA ISLAND			
<u>A</u>	(1)	JASON			-
<u>ARL</u>	(3)	ACHILLES	AMYCUS	REMUS	-
<u>ARS</u>	(3)	CABLE	PRESERVER	VENT	-
<u>ISD</u>	(10)	ASHLAND	GURSTON HALL		-
		BELLEGRIVE	LINDENWALL		
		CARTER HALL	OLKHILL		
		CASA GRANDE	RUSHMORE		
		EPPING FOREST	WHITE MARSH		

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
(Including N. and S. Pacific Area)

Philippines
S. China Sea
(Incl. Singapore) Empire

	# ALLIED FORCES				
BB	(14) ALABAMA COLORADO IDAHO INDIANA IOWA	MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NORTH	*OKLAHOMA SOUTH DAKOTA WASHINGTON WISCONSIN	(5) MUSASHI YAMATO MAGATO KONGO HARUNA	severely damaged damaged all damaged 2 poss. sunk
BB/XCV					(2) HUYGA ISE
CV	(11) ENTERPRISE ESSEX FRANKLIN	BLINCOCK HORNET INTREPID LEXINGTON	SARATOGA TICONDEROGA WASP YORKTOWN		(5) AMAGI HAYATAKA TAIHO (poss. sunk) UNRYU ZUIKAKU (reptd. sunk)
CVL	(8) BATAAN BELLEAU WO OD CABOT	COWPENS INDEPENDENCE LANGLEY	MONTEREY SAN JACINTO		(5) RYUHO (poss. sunk) CHITOSE (reptd.) CHIYODA (sunk) ZUIHO HCSHO
CVE	(28) ADMIRALTY IS. ALTAMAHA ATTU BARNES BOUGAINVILLE BRETON BUCARELI BAY CASABLANCA COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR HOLLANDIA KWAJALEIN LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MCKIN ISLAND MUNDA NASSAU	NEHENTA BAY PRINCE WILLIAM ROI SALAMAU SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SHIPLEY BAY STEAMER BAY TULAGI THETIS BAY	(2) JINYO UNYO	(2) KAIYO OTAKA
CA	(8) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER	INDIANAPOLIS NEW ORLEANS PENSACOLA	SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO	(14) *AOBA *TAKAO ATAGO MAYA CHOKAI TOME CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO SUZUYA KUMANO MACHI ASHIGARA MOGAMI	IBUKI 2 rep. sunk other, prob. damaged at least 1 sunk others prob. damaged. (reptd. sunk) (severely dmgd) 1 sunk other prob. sunk. reptd. sunk. 6
CCA CL	(19) BILOXI BIRMINGHAM CLEVELAND DETROIT HOUSTON *LEANDER	MIAMI MOBILE MONTPELLIER OAKLAND RALEIGH RENO	RICHMOND SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN SANTA FE ST LOUIS TRENTON VINCENNES	(6) KITAGAMI NCSHIRO YAHAGI KINU TAMA KISO KASHII	(4) ABUKUMA ISUZU (sunk) OYODO SAKAWA all dmgd. at least 1 sunk. KASHIMA
CLT					(2) ASKITUSUHIMA *NOTORO
AV/CVS	(4) BALLARD CHANDELEUR Approx. 150	CURTIS	POCCOMOKE	15	20 (several repairing)
DD	Approx. 150			10	Approx. 50
A		?		?	2 (1 repairing)

* Non-effective
#Some of these units operating temporarily in S. W.P.A.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES
Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ENEMY FORCES
Indian Ocean

<u>BB</u>	-	(4) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH RENOWN VALIANT	-	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE VICTORIOUS	-	
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6) AMEER ATHELING BATTIER	BEGUM SHAH UNICORN -	
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON	SUFFOLK -	
<u>CL</u>	-	ACHILLES CEYLON	KENYA NEWCASTLE NIGERIA PHOEBE -	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS	-	
<u>CL</u>	-	(2) CANTON	CHITRAL -	
<u>DD</u>	(2) NIZAM	QUICKMATCH	Approx. 27 -	
<u>SS</u>	(49)	ANGLER BARBERU BATFISH BAYA BECUNA BERGAL BLUEGILL BREAM CERO COBIA COD CLYDE P.318 SEA ROVER SIRDAR K.14 K.15	CREWALLE FLASHER GROWLER GUITARO GUNNEL GURNARD HADDO HAKE HAMMERHEAD HARDHEAD HAWKBILL HOE SPITEFUL STCIC STORM STURDY 0.19 ZWAARDFISCH MAIDSTONE	JACK LAPON MINGO MUSKELLUNGE PADDLE PARGO PORPOISE RATON RAY REDFIN ROCK TANTALUS TANTIVY TELEMACHUS Approx. 16 10 (poss. all German)
<u>AS</u>	(3) EURYALE	GRIFFIN		

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	-	136	153	6
S/E Bombers	-	-	23	91	-
T/E Bombers	-	-	88	58	3
Flying Boats	-	-	5	6	-
Float Planes	10	-	57	33	6
Obsn. A/C	2	-	16	22	4
TOTAL	12	-	325	368	19