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OPERATIONAL
~~ADMINISTRATIVE~~ REMARKS

0 to 4 Anchored in NAPLES OUTER HARBOR, ITALY in 19 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Left tangent of fort; 276°T, MONUMENT: 304½°T, Light: 237½°T. Ship darkened in condition of readiness "II MIKE, materiel condition "BAKER". Boiler #2 in use, main engines in stand by condition. Ships present, various units of U.S. MEDITERRANEAN and ALLIED FLEETS. S.O.P.A., COMTASKFOR 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

E.L. Kelley
E.L. KELLEY,
Ensign, U.S. Navy.

4 to 8 Anchored as before.

A.R. Buckley
A.R. BUCKLEY,
Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.R.

8 to 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. No absentees. 1017 A summary court martial was convened aboard this vessel May 11, 1944 in the case of JONES, Glover T., Jr., 836 34 17, Flc, V-6, USNR, and was adjourned at 1049 this date. 1132 Made all preparations for getting underway set special sea details. 1145 Underway in obedience to COMTASKFOR 86 visual orders this date. Standing toward U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA on various courses and speeds. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples and conducted weekly test of sprinkler system. Conditions normal.

W.M. Kelly
W.M. KELLY,
Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.R.

12 to 16 Steaming as before. 1203 Moored starboard side to U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA with regular mooring lines. 1211 Commenced fueling PHILADELPHIA; DRAFT Forward 13' 9"; Aft 12' 8". 1325 Finished fueling PHILADELPHIA; DRAFT Forward 13' 4" Aft 12' 4", having discharged 30,004 gallons of fuel oil at 61°F. 1513 Made all preparations to get underway. 1530 Underway from alongside PHILADELPHIA on various courses and speeds; #2 and #3 boiler in use. Navigator at the Conn. 1547 Anchored in POZZUOLI BAY in 17 fathoms of water with 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor and on the following bearings: LEFT MOLE 025°T, RIGHT MOLE 037°T, TANGENT PIER 254°T.

H.W. Booth
H.W. BOOTH,
Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 to 18 Anchored as before. 1653 Set anchor detail and weighed anchor proceeding to fuel alongside U.S.S. ERICSSON at PONTILE ANSALDO, POZZUOLI HARBOR. 1634 Set special sea details. 1750 Moored starboard side to U.S.S. ERICSSON.

J.V. Land
J.V. LAND,
Lieutenant, U.S. Navy.

18 to 20 Moored as before. 1810 Commenced fueling. 1945 Made all preparations for getting underway.

R.M. Thomson
R.M. THOMSON,
Ensign, U.S. Navy.

20 to 24 Moored as before. 2005 Completed fueling, having received 53,791 gallons bunker fuel oil at 60°F. Draft Fwd 14', Aft 13'. 2010 Underway proceeding on various courses at various speeds to anchorage. 2035 Anchored in BAY OF POZZUOLI in 40 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the follow-

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ing bearings; LIGHT: 293°T, GREEN LIGHT: 009°T, BEACON: 308°T, SIGNAL STATION
RED LIGHT: 098°T.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

0 to 4 Anchored in POZZUOLI BAY, ITALY in 28 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to starboard anchored on the following bearings: Light 293°T, Green Light 009°T, Beacon 308°T. Ship darkened and in material condition "BAKER", condition of readiness "II-M". On one half hours notice for steam. Boilers #2 and #3 in use. Ships present: H.M.S. DIDO, U.S.S. ORDRONAUX, two British destroyers and various Allied small craft. COMDESDIV 32 aboard this ship. S.O.P.A. COMCRUSQUAD 15 in H.M.S. DIDO.

A.R. Buckley
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Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.R.

4 to 8 Anchored as before. 0500 Made all preparations for getting underway in obedience with COMCRUSQUAD 15 orders. 0520 Underway standing out of POZZUOLI HARBOR in company with U.S.S. ORDRONAUX and H.M.S. DIDO, on various courses and speeds. Captain at the Conn, Executive Officer on the Bridge. 0618 Changed course to 285°(T) & pgc, 287° psc and speed to 27 knots. 0630 Commenced zigzagging according to Plan #11. 0729 Sounded general quarters, set material condition "AFFIRM"

W.M. Kelly
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Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.R.

8 to 12 Steaming as before. 0834 Arrived bombardment area off GAËTA, ITALY. 1020 Retired from area to southward due to adverse weather conditions and the increasing accuracy of enemy shore batteries. 1130 Returned to area off GAËTA. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Condition normal.

H.W. Booth
H.W. BOOTH,
Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 to 16 Steaming as before. 1257 H.M.S. DIDO commenced shore bombardment of TERRACINA, ITALY. 1410 Ceased firing. 1443 Resumed fire on area to westward of GAËTA, ITALY. 1542 Ceased firing.

R.M. Thonson
R.M. THONSON,
Ensign, U.S. Navy.

16 to 20 Steaming as before. 1740 H.M.S. DIDO commenced shore bombardment of area eastward of TERRACINA. 1804 Ceased firing, formation retiring on course 180°(T & PG) 179° psc, speed 27 knots. 1810 Secured from general quarters set Condition of Readiness "II MIKE", Material Condition "BAKER". Base course 180°(T) & pgc, 179° psc, speed 27 knots. 1840 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with Plan #11. 1844 Ceased zigzagging. 1850 changed speed to 24 knots.

W.M. Kelly
W.M. KELLY,
Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.R.

20 to 24 Steaming as before. 2039 Made all preparations to enter port. 2044 Let fires die out under #1, #2 and #4 boilers; #3 left steaming for auxiliary purposes. 2108 Anchored in the BAY OF NAPLES in 19 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor and on the following bearings: FORT DEL OVO 270°, detached mole 069°T, Red Flashing Light 295°.

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0 to 4 Anchored in 20 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: FLASHING RED LIGHT 290°T, LEFT TANGENT FORT 270°T, FWD OF MOLE 069°T, NAPLES HARBOR, NAPLES, ITALY. Ship darkened and in condition of readiness "IIM" material condition "BAKER". Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship on 4 hour notice. SHIPS present: various units of U.S. MEDITERRANEAN FLEET plus various units of ALLIED FLEET. SOPA: COMTASKFOR 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

J. W. Land
 J. W. LAND,
 Lieut., U.S.N.

4 to 8 Anchored as before.

R. M. Thomson
 R. M. THOMSON,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

8 to 12 Anchored as before. Held quarters for muster, no absentees. 1000 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

E. L. Kelley
 E. L. KELLEY,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

12 to 16 Anchored as before.

J. W. Land
 J. W. LAND,
 Lieut., U.S.N.

16 to 18 Anchored as before. 1615 Lighted off the fires under #3 boiler. 1721 #3 Boiler cut in on main line.

W. M. Kelly
 W. M. KELLY,
 Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

18 to 20 Anchored as before. 1833 Underway on various courses and speeds in NAPLES HARBOR; #2 and #3 boilers in use. CAPTAIN and NAVIGATOR on the Bridge. 1900 Set course for BAY OF CASTELLAMARE to anchor for the night in company with H.M.S. DIDO and U.S.S. ORDRONAUX.

H. W. Booth
 H. W. BOOTH,
 Lieut., U.S.N.R.

20 to 24 Steaming as before. Entered CASTELLAMARE ANCHORAGE. 2002 Anchored in 31 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the following bearings: ISLAND, 026°T, MOLE, 077°T, CHURCH 096°T.

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0 to 4 Anchored in CASTELLAMARE BAY, ITALY in 32 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: CHURCH 096° T, MOLE 077° T, ISLAND 026° T. Ship darkened, condition "LIM" and "BAKER" set. Boilers #2 and #3 in use, engines in standby status. Gig in the water patrolling, dropping 1 1/2 pound depth charges. Ships present: various units of U.S. MEDITERRANEAN and ALLIED FLEETS. S.O.P.A. COMTASKFOR 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

R. M. Thomson
R. M. THOMSON,
Ensign, U.S.N.

4 to 8 Anchored as before. 0515 Lighted fires under boiler #3. 0530 Ceased dropping 1 1/2 pound depth charges.

E. L. Kelley
E. L. KELLEY,
Ensign, U.S.N.

8 to 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

A. R. Buckley
A. R. BUCKLEY,
Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

12 to 16 Anchored as before. 1235 U.S.S. PARKER, U.S.S. LAUB, U.S.S. MC LANAHAN, U.S.S. CHAMPLIN, standing in to BAY OF NAPLES, COMDESRON 16 in U.S.S. PARKER.

W. M. Kelly
W. M. KELLY,
Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

16 to 20 Anchored as before. 1940 Shifted anchorage berth off SORRENTO, ITALY.

H. W. Booth
H. W. BOOTH,
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

20 to 24 Anchored as before. 2030 Lowered gig into the water. 2045 Commenced dropping 2 1/2 pound depth charges from gig.

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0 to 4 Anchored off the CAPE OF SORRENTO, NAPLES, ITALY in 33 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: MOLE 216° T, RIGHT TANGENT 259° T, LEFT TANGENT 042° T, MOUNT VESIVIVUS 010° T. Ship darkened in condition "BAKER". Boiler #2 in use, engines in standby condition. Gig in the water and patrolling, dropping 1½ pound depth charges from the gig at irregular intervals. Ships present; various units of U.S. MEDITERRANEAN and ALLIED FLEETS, S.O.P.A. COMTASKFOR 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

E. L. Kelley

E. L. KELLEY,
Ensign, U.S.N.

4 to 8 Anchored as before. 0430 Lighted fires under boiler #4. 0500 Lighted fires under boiler #3. 0600 Made all preparations for getting underway. Cut boilers #2 and #3 and #4 in on main steam line. 0630 Underway, steaming on various courses at various speeds, entering swept channel. CAPTAIN at CONN, NAVIGATOR on the BRIDGE. 0650 Came to base course 180° (T&PGC), 180° psc. Speed 20 knots. Took station bearing 045° relative at 1500 yards from H.M.S. DIDO. 0655 C/c to 260° (T&PGC), 260° psc, c/s to 25 knots. 0730 C/c to 315° (T&PGC) 318° psc, c/s to 27 knots. Commenced zigzagging in accordance with plan #11 to one half time.

A. R. Buckley

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Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

8 to 12 Steaming as before. Mustered the crew on stations, no absentees. 0925 Went to General Quarters; ceased zigzagging; approaching bombardment area off GAETA, ITALY. 1000 Patrolling on various courses around H.M.S. DIDO in company U.S.S. ORDRONAU. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

H. W. Booth

H. W. BOOTH,
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

12 to 16 Steaming as before. 1210 H.M.S. DIDO commenced shore bombardment of GAETA area. 1320 Under fire from shore batteries. 1325 Commenced laying smoke screen. 1340 Stopped smoking.

R. M. Thomson

R. M. THOMSON,
Ensign, U.S.N.

16 to 20 Steaming as before. 1655 H.M.S. DIDO ceased shore bombardment. On various courses at various speeds proceeding to day patrol area off GAETA, ITALY. 1728 Secured from General Quarters set condition "IIM" and "BAKER". C/s to 15 knots. Commenced patrolling on courses 090° (T&PGC), 092° psc and 270° (T&PGC), 272° psc. 1849 Secured boilers #1 and #4.

A. R. Buckley

A. R. BUCKLEY,
Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

20 to 24 Steaming as before.

H. W. Booth

H. W. BOOTH,
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

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0 to 4 Underway independently maintaining patrol of swept channel off GAETA POINT, GAETA, ITALY on courses 090°(T&PGC) 089°psc and 270°(T&PGC), 269°psc, speed 10 knots. Ship darkened and in material condition "BAKER" condition of readiness "IIM". Boilers #2 and #3 in use for steaming purposes. 0232 Went to General Quarters. Set condition "AFIRM". 0245 Secured from General Quarters. Set condition "IIM" and "BAKER".

J. W. Land
 J. W. LAND,
 Lieut., U.S.N.

4 to 8 Steaming as before. 0447 Went to General Quarters set condition "AFIRM". 0547 Secured from General Quarters, set condition of "IIM" and "BAKER".

A. R. Buckley
 A. R. BUCKLEY,
 Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

8 to 12 Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0840 Cut in boiler #4 on main steam line. Let fires die out under boiler #3. 0950 Exercised crew at General Quarters. Commenced investigating sound contact. 1010 Dropped one mark 6 depth charge. 1024 Contact believed to be false, secured from General Quarters, set condition of readiness "IIM" and material condition "BAKER". 1150 Commenced steaming on various courses at various speeds, screening Mine Sweeping FLOTILLA-12.

E. L. Kelley
 E. L. KELLEY,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

12 to 16 Steaming as before.

H. W. Booth
 H. W. BOOTH,
 Lieut., U.S.N.R.

16 to 18 Steaming as before. 1645 Commenced laying smoke. 1715 Mine sweepers rigged in paravanes. 1735 Let the fires under boilers #1 and #3 die out. Secured from General Quarters, set condition of readiness "IIM" and material condition "BAKER". 1742 Mine sweepers departed, our ship patrolling swept area.

W. M. Kelly
 W. M. KELLY,
 Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

18 to 20 Steaming as before. 1827 Stopped; lowered gig and picked up British Aviator from the water. 1831 Set course 130°(T&PGC), 132°psc, speed 27 knots. 1936 C/c to 106°(T&PGC), 102°psc. 1950 Entered NAPLES BAY, made all preparations for entering port. Steering at various courses and speeds to conform with swept channel.

R. M. Thomson
 R. M. THOMSON,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

20 to 24 Steaming as before. 2008 Set special sea details. 2017 Standing in POZZUOLI HARBOR on various courses and speeds, CAPTAIN at the CONN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER on the BRIDGE. 2050 Moored along fuel sock, draft forward 13'3", aft 12'4". 2110 Commenced fueling. 2227 Secured fueling.

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0 to 4 Moored starboard side to fueling dock POZZUOLI, ITALY. #2 boiler in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened in condition of readiness "2-M" and "BAKER". Ships present - Various units of the U.S., BRITISH and ITALIAN FLEETS. S.O.P.A.-CTF 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

H.W. Booth
H.W. BOOTH,
Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

4 to 8 Moored as before. 0445 Lighted fires under #4 boiler. 0545 Made all preparations for getting underway. Cut #4 boiler into main steam line. 0555 Underway from fueling dock, shifting berths, POZZUOLI HARBOR, POZZUOLI, ITALY. On various courses at various speeds. 0615 Anchored in 24 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: MOLE, 020°(T); CHURCH, 240°(T); BEACON, 310°(T); POZZUOLI HARBOR, POZZUOLI, ITALY. Made all preparations for getting underway. 0758 Underway on various courses at various speeds, standing out of POZZUOLI HARBOR, POZZUOLI, ITALY.

J.W. Land
J.W. LAND,
Lieutenant, U.S. Navy.

8 to 12 Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0835 Standing in to NAPLES SWEPT CHANNEL at various courses and speeds. CAPTAIN at the CONN, NAVIGATOR on the BRIDGE. 0905 Anchored in 23 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms to the starboard anchor on the following bearings; DETACHED MOLE, 056°(T); MONUMENT 289°(T), MOLE, 078°(T). 0910 Lowered gig into the water. 0915 Let fires die under #4 boiler. #2 boiler in use for auxiliary purposes. 1000 Made daily inspection of magazine spaces and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

R.M. Thomson
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Ensign, U.S. Navy.

12 to 16 Anchored as before. 1215 Received from U.S.S. ORDRONAU, 19 - 5"/38 cal. projectiles, white phosphorus. 1530 Received from ROYAL NAVY SUPPLY DEPOT, 50 Mark 2 smoke pots; 100, 1 1/2 lb. Mark 1-1 demolition charges.

E.L. Kelley
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Ensign, U.S. Navy.

16 to 18 Anchored as before.

A.R. Buckley
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Lieutenant (jg), U.S.N.R.

18 to 20 Anchored as before.

H.W. Booth
H.W. BOOTH,
Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 to 24 Anchored as before. 2249 Red NAPLES set condition of readiness I, Material Condition "AFFIRM". 2330 White NAPLES secured from general quarters set Condition of readiness "II MIKE", Material Condition "BAKER".

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Lieutenant (jg), U.S.N.R.

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0 to 4 Anchored in 20 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearing: DETACHED MOLE 056° (T), MOLE 078° T, MONUMENT 289°(T), NAPLES HARBOR, NAPLES, ITALY. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Starboard engines on one-half hours notice. Ship darkened and in condition of readiness "IIM" material condition "B". Ships present: various units of U.S. EIGHTH FLEET plus various units of UNITED NATIONS FLEET, S.O.P.A. COMTASKFOR 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

J. W. Land
 J. W. LAND,
 Lieut., U.S.N.

4 to 8 Anchored as before. 0520 Lighted fires under #4 boiler. 0730 Made all preparations for getting underway. 0740 Heaved in to short stay.

R. M. Thomson
 R. M. THOMSON,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

8 to 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Underway from NAPLES HARBOR on various courses and speeds, proceeding to GAETA, FORMIA bombardment area in company with H.M.S. DIDO and U.S.S. ORDRONAUX. #1, #2, #3, and #4 Boilers in use. 1050 Arrived area; commenced bombardment of gun positions and enemy installations. O.T.C. COMCRUSQUAD 15 in H.M.S. DIDO. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

H. W. Booth
 H. W. BOOTH,
 Lieut., U.S.N.R.

12 to 16 Steaming as before on various courses and speeds, screening H.M.S. DIDO with smoke as necessary. 1445 H.M.S. DIDO ceased bombardment. Set course 160° (T&PGC), 161° psc, speed 25 knots. 1450 Secured from General Quarters, set condition of readiness "IIM", material condition "BAKER". 1500 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11, base course 140° (T&PGC), 141° psc. 1500 Changed speed to 27 knots. 1505 U.S.S. ORDRONAUX left the formation.

W. M. Kelly
 W. M. KELLY,
 Lt.(jg), U.S.N.R.

16 to 18 Steaming as before. 1606 C/o to 132° (T&PGC), 132° psc. 1630 C/o to 100° (T&PGC), 100° psc. 1725 Commenced steaming on various courses at various speeds to anchorage. Make all preparations for anchoring. 1745 Anchored off CAPE OF SONINTO, ITALY in 36 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the following bearings: MOLE 216°T, RIGHT TANGENT 260°T, LEFT TANGENT 044° T, DRAFT fwd 14'2", aft., 13'0".

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18 to 20 Anchored as before.

A. R. Buckley
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20 to 24 Anchored as before.

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0 to 4 Anchored in 38 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor, off SORRENTO, ITALY in company with H.M.S. DIDO. #3 Boiler in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened in conditions of readiness "IIM" and "BAKER". Ships present: various units of the U.S. ATLANTIC, BRITISH MEDITERRANEAN and the ITALIAN FLEETS. S.O.P.A.: COMTASKFOR 86 in U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA.

H.W. Booth
 H. W. BOOTH,
 Lieut., U.S.N.R.

4 to 8 Anchored as before. 0530 Lighted fires under #1 boiler. 0700 Made all preparations for getting underway. 0728 Underway on various courses at various speeds proceeding to NAPLES HARBOR, NAPLES, ITALY.

J.W. Land
 J. W. LAND,
 Lieut., U.S.N.

8 to 12 Steaming as before. 0830 Made all preparations for entering port. 0840 Anchored in NAPLES OUTER HARBOR with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor in 20 fathoms of water on the following bearings: FORT DEL OVO 279° T, MONUMENT 299° T, DETACHED MOLE 045° T. 0851 Secured #1 boiler. 1000 Made daily inspection of magazine spaces and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. Made weekly test of magazine sprinkling system, conditions satisfactory.

R.M. Thomson
 R. M. THOMSON,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

12 to 16 Anchored as before. 1507 Lighted fires under boilers #1, #2 and #4. 1530 Made all preparations for getting underway. Draft fwd 13'6", aft 13'0".

E.L. Kelley
 E. L. KELLEY,
 Ensign, U.S.N.

16 to 18 Anchored as before. 1608 Underway standing out of NAPLES ANCHORAGE on various courses at various speeds. CAPTAIN at the CONN, NAVIGATOR on the bridge. 1625 Came to base course 158°(T&PGC) 160°psc. 1630 C/c to 182°(T&PGC) 184°psc. C/s to 20 knots. 1645 Took screening station 45 degrees relative at 1500 yards from H.M.S. DIDO. 1712 C/c to 154°(T&PGC), 157°psc. 1717 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with plan #11 at one-half time.

A.R. Buckzey
 A. R. BUCKZEY,
 Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

18 to 20 Steaming as before.

H.W. Booth
 H. W. BOOTH,
 Lieut., U.S.N.R.

20 to 24 Steaming as before. 2242 Passed STROMBOLI ISLAND LIGHT abeam to starboard, distant 6 miles.

R.M. Thomson
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 Ensign, U.S.N.

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0 to 4 Underway in company with H.M.S. DIDO and U.S.S. ORDRANAUX enroute from NAPLES, ITALY to VALETTA, MALTA on course 154°(T&PGC) 154°psc, speed 20 knots. Stationed 040° relative on HMS DIDO, distance 1500 yards, zigzagging in accordance with zig zag plan #11 half-time. Ship darkened and in material condition "B", condition of readiness "IIM". Boilers #2 and #4 in use for steaming purposes. SOPA: COM E.S. 15 in HMS DIDO. 0000 Ceased zigzagging. Took station astern of HMS DIDO. 0012 On various courses conforming to channel of STRAIGHTS OF MESSINA. 0150 Set course 187°(T&PGC), 187°psc. 0200 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with zig zag plan #11 half-time. 0330 Ceased zigzagging. 0345 C/o to 157°(T&PGC), 157°psc.

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4 to 8 Steaming as before. 0402 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with plan #11 at one half time. 0447 Went to General Quarters set condition "AFIRM" fore and aft. 0500 C/o to 218°(T&PGC), 218°psc. 0537 Secured from General Quarters set condition "IIM" and "BAKER". 0635 C/o to 220°(T&PGC), 218°psc. 0730 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course. 0735 C/s to 18 knots.

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8 to 12 Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. Made all preparations for entering port. 0820 Commenced steaming on various courses and speeds conforming to channel. CAPTAIN at the CONN, NAVIGATOR on the BRIDGE. 0837 Moored port side to, WARKRISHNA, berth 12, VALETTA HARBOR, MALTA. Draft 13'4" fwd, 12' aft. 0908 Commenced fueling. 1010 Completed fueling having received 32,093 gallons bunker fuel oil at 60°F. Draft 14'3" fwd, 12'4" aft. 1050 Made all preparations for getting underway.

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12 to 16 Moored as before. 1208 Underway on various courses at various speeds, shifting berths. 1220 HMT ANCIENT secured to port side. 1230 HMT EMPIRE ANN secured astern. 1240 Cast off all tugs. Moored starboard side to, to port side of USSORDRONAUX in west with HMS DIDO. 1247 Secured from special details. 1300 Let fires die under #3 boiler. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. 1515 Commenced receiving fresh water from yard water barge.

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16 to 20 Moored as before. 1705 Completed taking fresh water from yard water barge. Received aboard 5073 gallons.

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20 to 24 Moored as before.

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