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F PERSONALLY SEE ANYTHING WHICH WOULD

SUBSTANTIATE THE VALIDITY OF THIS ACTION. HOWEVER, BEING AN EVALUATOR

IN CIC, I WAS CONTINUALLY APPRAISED OF CURRENT SITUATTON BY REPORTS

XJOM CONTROL STATIONS. MY COMMENTS ON THIS ACTIIN ARE AS FOLLOWS: AE

TIME 1945I, 3R TO 5¢ (UNABLE TO DETERMINE EXACT NUMBER AT THIS RANGE)

WERE DETECTED BEARING 060 RANGE 40 MILES. THESE CONTACTS WERE

CONFIRMED BY TARNER JOY ON CIC NET. SINCE THERE WERE NO CONTACTS

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THPS AREA THE NIGHT BEFORE SUSPICIONH AROSE. AFTER OAJ SHIPS TURNED

SOUTHEAST TO AVOID 1 WAS TRACKED BY MADDOX ON COURSE 234, SPEED 28

KTS. APPROX 3 MINUTES AFTER OUR COURSE CHANGED THESE CONTACTS FADED

ON THE RADAR. AT TIME 2111 A CONTACT WAS DETECTED BY TURNER JOY BEARING

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TRUE 13 MILES. MADDOX PICKED UP THIS CONTACT ON BOTH FIRE

CONTROL AND SURFACE RADARS. REPORTS FROM TURNER JOY AND BOTH MADDOX

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SYSTEMS WERE IDENTICAL AS TO POSITION, COURSE AND SPEED (9160N 30 KTS).

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BE FNMEDX (AS RCVD) EVALUATED THESE AS 3 CONTACTS IN THE FORMATION", CONTACTS SEEMED TO SPLIT AND WERE LOST BY MADDOX SYSTEMS AT 2133. ANOTHER CONTACT WAS GAINED BY FIRE CONTROL AT 2134 BEARING APPROXIMATELY 9000 YARDS CLOSING QUICKLY. WATCHING HIS T4-:(9, $45 8 ,9536 - A7663, 975797ND TURN AT RANGE ON 6200 YARDS. I EVALUATED THIS MANEUVER AS TORPEDO LAUNCH AND TURNAWAY. IN ONE MINUTE SONAR REPORTED TORPEDO IN THE WATER AT A BEARING CLOSE TO THAT OF SUSPECTED LAUNCH POINT. POINTLY (AS RCVD) IT MUST BE NOTED THAT PRIOR TO HIS REPORT SONAR HAD MADE NO REPORTS OF ANY UNUSAL NOISES OR DETECTIONS. MADDOX MANEUVERED TO EVADE AND SURFACE CONTACTS WERE LOST. SUBSEQUENT TO THIS TIME I HAD NO POSITIVE, (OR RELATED INFO).

BOTH FIRE CONTROL AND SURFACE RADAR CONTACTS WERE RANDON AND INTZRMITTENT. CIC NET INDICATED THST TURNER JOY HAD LOCKONS ON

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DEFINATE TARGEES. ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE BASED ON CORRELATED AND

EVALUATED INFO IN CINC. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT TORPEDO ATTACKS WERE

CONDUCTED ON MADDOX AND TURNER JOY VIC 18-38N 107-24E AT HIGH SPEED

(40 PLUSS KTS) CRAFT COMMENCING AT 2154I 4 AUGUST 1964. SIGNED LTJR

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COMDESDIV 192 (CTG 72.1). PARA 3. STATEMENT OF CDR H L OGIER. WHEN

FIRING FOR NIGHT STEAMING THE SHIP DETECTED 4 SURFACE RADAR CONTACTS

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TO THE EAST. A FIFTH CONTACT WAS EVALUAEED HAS WEATHER. 1 OF THE

4 CONTACTS APPEARED ON THE RADAR TO BE COMPOSED OF 3 AMALL CONTACTS

IN MAKING A TOTAL OF 6SVESSELS. BECAUSE CONTACTS WEJE TRACKING AT

SPEEDS ABOVE 20 KNOTS THEY WERE EVALUAEED AS EITHER PGM OR PT BOATS.

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AE 1958 SET GENERAL QUARTERS AT 2002 FORMATION COURSE WAS 140T SPEED

30 KTS. 1020 CHANGED COURSE TO 160T. CONTACTS APPEARED TO BE TRYING

TO OVERTAKE US BUT 3 DROPPED BEHIND AND FADED FROM THE SCOPE. 3099

CONTACT BEARING 093T 29 MILES SPEED 30 KTS WAS TRACKED BY RADAR.

2115 19,5-15 T3-48,4 090T 14 MILES. AIRCRAFT INVESTIGATED WITH NEGATIVE

RESULTS. 2121 CONTACT COURSE 155T SPEED 40 KTS. 2124 CONTACT BEARING

087T 23,1000 YARDS. BOTH FIRE CONTROL RADARS LOCKED ON. 2135 FIRE

CONTROL DIRECTORS ORDERED TO SHIFT TO CONTACT HELD BY TURNER JOY

BEARING 084T 9,800 YARDS. BOTH MKKFT AND MKFWR RADARS ACQUIRED

AND THEN LOST TARGET BEFORE FIRING COULD COMMENCE, THEN COMMENCED FIRING

STARSHELLS ON TRUE BEARING FRUNISHED BY T74,34 '96. 2140 COMMENCED

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FIRING 3 INCH AT LAST KNOWN LOCATION OF TARGET 25144 SONAR REPORTED

TORPEDO BEARING 0517 SHIP CHANGED COURSE TO THE RIGHT TO EVADE. FROM

THIS TIME NUVEROUS TORPEDOES WERE REPORTED FROM SONAR AND EVASIVE

ACTION WAS TAKEN. ANALYSIS IS THAT THERE WERE 3 PT BOATS WIDELY

SPACED ON A BEARING OF ABOUT 090T. THESE BOATS MADE SUCCESSIVE

ATTACKS AS THEY CAME WITTHING RANGE. SOME OF THE REPORTED TORPEDO NOISES

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K PROBABLY FROM THE BOATS THEMSELVES AND SOME FROM THE FEFLECTION

OF OWN SHIPS SCREW FROM 2 RUDDERS. AN EVALUATION OF THE TAPE RECORDER

TAPE OF THE DYDROPHONE EFFECTS MAY DISCLOSE PROOF OF THE PRESENCE

OF THE TORPEDOES. TAPE OF THE AUG 4 ACTION ARE BEING FORWARDED WITH

PHOTOS OF THE AUG 2 AKTION TO CTF 77. MADDOX CONTINUED TO MANEUVER

TO AVOID REPORTED TORPEDOES AND FIRED AT TARGETS OF OPPORTUNPTY.

STARSHELL ILLUMINATION WAS MAINTAINED AS ORDERED BY TG CDR.

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MADDOX EXPENDED 4 DEPTH CHARGES TO COUNTER RADAR TARGET REPORTED

FOLLOWING THE SHIP. EYE WITNESS REPORTS INDICATED THAT PT BOATS WERE REMAINING CLOSE ABOARD THE MADDOX POSSIBLY TO AVOID DETECTION AND TO ATTEMP TO SLOW HER WITHDRAWAL. I BELIEVED THE TIME THAT THE MADDOX WAS UNDER ATTACK BY PT BOATS. LATER I DOABTED THAT SO MANY TORPEDOES

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COULD HAVE BEEN FIRED AND HAVE MISSED. I AM NOW CONVINCED THAT THE TORPEDO ATTACKS DID TAKE PLACE. HHEWIVROMHNWER (AS RECVD) USN 389880 USS MADDOX PARA 4. TURNER JOY STATEMENTS SUBMITTED DIRECT.

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