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DRV NAVY MAY ATTACK DESOTO PATROL

1. SUBSEQUENT REFLECTIONS OF THE DESOTO PATROL WILL BE PUBLISHED UNDER SIGINT READINESS BRAVO LANTERN.

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2. BETWEEN 020747Z AND 021430Z THE DESOTO PATROL WAS UNDER CONTINUOUS SURVEILLANCE BY DRV NAVAL ELEMENTS. SEVERAL REFERENCES TO REPULSING THE ENEMY WERE NOTED INCLUDING THE 06T REPORT (2/Q/VHN/R-29-64), HOWEVER, BASED ON PRESENTLY AVAILABLE COMINT UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN WHEN THE ACTUAL ATTACK WAS ORDERED AND BY WHOM. TRACKING DATA REVEALS THAT THREE

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VESSELS THE T142, T146 AND T135 CLOSED AND INSTITUTED THE ATTACK ON THE USS MADDOX. AT 020900Z THE T142 AND T146 TURNED BACK TO HON NE ISLAND. AT 021430Z A MSG SENT TO THE T146 TOLD HER TO MEET THE T142 AND T135 AT HON NE ISLAND THEN GO IMMEDIATELY TO 19-41N 106-37E. AFTER ARRIVING THEY SHOULD INVESTIGATE THE AREA FOR A RADIUS OF 10 NAUTICAL MILES FOR A DRV VESSEL WHICH WAS "WOUNDED AND LOST BECAUSE OF ENEMY AIRPLANE OR ARTILLERY FIRE OR BECAUSE OF ENGINE TROUBLES, OR OUT OF FUEL." AFTER FINDING IT THEY WERE DIRECTED TO TOW IT BACK.

3. DURING THE PERIOD 020306Z - 022025Z THE DESOTO PATROL WAS TRACKED AS FOLLOWS:

A. RADAR SITE LOCATED AT MY DUC (19-52N 105-57E) TRACKED THE USS MADDOX FROM 19-39N 106-09 AT 020306Z IN A SOUTHERLY ZIGZAG COURSE TO 19-24N 106-07E AT 020445Z, THENCE NORTHEASTERLY TO 19-49N 106-16E AT 020724Z, SUBSEQUENTLY EAST AND SOUTHEASTERLY TO THE POINT OF THE TORPEDO ATTACK AT APPROXIMATELY 19-41N 106-35E AT 020804Z, AND FINALLY SOUTHEASTERLY TO 19-20N 106-44E AT 020921Z WHERE TRACKING FROM MY DUC CEASED. TWO OTHER TARGETS, ONE CONSISTING OF PROBABLY THE T142, T146 AND T135 (RAID NUMBER 5804), AND THE OTHER CONSISTING OF UNKNOWN DRV VESSEL(S) (RAID NUMBER 5805), WERE ALSO TRACKED BY MY DUC INDICATING THAT THE FORMER UNITS WERE ENGAGED IN SHADOWING THE DESOTO VESSEL FROM 020431Z UNTIL

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THE TORPEDO ATTACK, AFTER WHICH THE UNITS WERE TRACKED IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION TO 19-44N 106-32E AT 020 .4Z, WHERE TRACKING OF RAID NUMBER 5804 CEASED. THE LATTER UNIDENTIFIED TARGET WAS INITIALLY NOTED AS SHADOWING THE DESOTO VESSEL FROM 020502Z UNTIL 020743Z, AND WAS LAST NOTED AT 19-32N 106-08E AT 020841Z, SOME TWENTY-EIGHT MILES FROM THE POINT OF ATTACK.

B. THE RADAR SITE AT HON NGU (18-48N) 105-47N) COMMENCED TRACKING THE DESOTO VESSEL AT 19-05N 106-50E AT 021000Z ON A SOUTHEASTERLY COURSE TO 18-52N 107-06E AT 021030Z; AND LATER TRACKED THE VESSEL FROM 17-59N 107-38E ON A SOUTHWESTERLY COURSE TO 17-48N 107-35E AT 022025Z WHERE TRACK KG CEASED. THIS FINAL POSITION OF THE USS MADDOX PASSED BY HON NGU WWIM123 NAUTICAL MILES FROM HSO SITE.

C. THE RADUS SITE LOCATED AT VINH SON (17-57N 106-30E) TRACKED THE VESSEL FROM 18-31N 107-0"E AT 021124Z ON A SOUTHEASTERLY COURSE TO 18-01N 107-35E AT 021300Z, AND LATER AT 021403Z REPORTED THE VESSEL TO BE AT 17-41N 107-39E, WHERE TRACKING FROM VINH SON CEASED. VINH SON ALSO TRACKED AN UNIDENTIFIED UNIT FROM 18-48N 106-41N AT 020843Z ON A NORTHEASTERLY COURSE TO 18-55N 106-46E AT 020948Z, INDICATING THAT ANOTHER DRV VESSEL MAY HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN SHADOWING THE DESOTO VESSEL DURING ITS MOVEMENT FROM THE ATTACK AREA.

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