

**SECRET**

U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA

16 May 1942

DAILY WAR DIARY

(a) U.S. Atlantic Fleet Operation Plan was placed in effect this date. U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA, flagship of Commander Cruiser Division Eight, is attached to Task Force 21, under direct Command of the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

Commander Cruiser Division Eight is designated as Commander of Task Force 32 composed of PHILADELPHIA, ERICSON, EBERLE, AARON WARD, WOOLSEY.

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(d) Operating in Chesapeake Bay, calibrating degaussing coils, compensating compasses and adjusting compasses for degaussing.

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