UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S.PHILADELPHIA (CL41)

Saturday

August

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Zone description\_

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat. 380	-08'-21" N	38°-08'-21" N	380_081 21# M
Long. 130	-23'-05" E	13°-23'-05" E	130-231- 05#8

## OPERATIONAL REMARKS (WAR DIARY)

0 to 4:

As before. 0257 Lighted fires under boilers #3 and #4. 0300 Lighted fires under boilers #1 and #2, U.S.S. BOISE with U.S.S. BENSON and U.S.S. ROWAN stoodout. 0308 Cut in boiler #3 and #4. 0330 Commenced heaving short. #343 Underway on various courses and speeds standing out of harbor.

R.L. CATON Lieut., U.S.N.R.

4 to 8:

As before. 0515 Reversed course to 260°(T), approaching anchorage. 0520 General Quarters. 0550 Anchored in Gulf of Palermo in 20 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: ARCH 206°(T), BREAKWATER LIGHT 311.6°(T), SIGNAL TOWER 317.5°(T). 0551 Secured from General Quarters; set condition of readiness III Air. 0550 Secured boilers #1,2,3,4.

H.K. LOCKWOOD Lieut., U.S.N.R.

8 to 12:

As before. 0745 LST 374 came alongside to port. 0825 U.S.S. WAINWRIGHT moored alongside merchant ship in inner harbor. NOTE: Transferred the following empty ammunition containers and ammunition details to LST 374: 915 cases 6"/47 empty; 923 tanks 6"/47; 411 tanks 5"/25 Contg, empty cases; 544 cases, 40MM empty Contg, in 34 boxes; 1182 cases, 20MM empty in 4 boxes; 3 projectiles 5"/25 BL&T; 1 tank 5"/25 Contg, 1 empty case, short; 719 dummy steel nose plugs; 952 BL&T; 1 tank 5"/25 Contg, 1 empty case, short; 719 dummy steel nose plugs; 952 underway clearing caps; 1 box of 5"/25 Fuze protecting covers. 0925 LST 374 underway clearing side. 0927 SAN AMADO (Tanker) standing out. 0950 U.S.S. WAINWRIGHT standingout of inner harbor. 1048 YMS 62 came alongside to port. 1052 LCI 217 came alongside to port, outboard of YMS 62. NOTE: All aircraft reported by Radar were either friendly, lost over land signals or did not approach closer than 8 miles.

W.A. FITE Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.

12 to 16:

As before. 1242 YMS 62 cast off, LCI 217 came alongside YT 132 moored outboard LCI 217. 1312 YT 132 cast off. 1319 YMS 69 came alongside to port. 1325 SC 977 moored outboard YMS 69. 1328 LCI 215 moored outboard LCI 217. 1330 SC 530 moored outboard SC 977. 1339 LCI 215 cast off. 1344 LCI 219 moored outboard SC 530. 1346 LCI 219 cast off. 1513 YMS 62 moored outboard LCI 217.

E.W. BRYANT Lieut., U.S.N.R.

16 to 18:

As before.

R.L. CATON Lieut., U.S.N.R.

18 to 20:

As before.

H.K. LOCKWOOD Ligut., U.S.N.R.

Approved:

PAUL HENDREN Captain, U.S. Navy,

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Commanding Officer.

Commanding.

Examined:

C.G. GESEN, Comdr., DEV-G, U.S.N.R.

Navigator.

Navigator.