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U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA

3 July 1942

DAILY WAR DIARY

(a) No change.

(b) No change.

(c) No change.

(d) Position zone plus 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ time:

0800 Lat 44°-05' N Long 62°-54'W

1200 Lat 44°-38' N Long 61°-58'W

2000 Lat 44°-55' N Long 60°-60'W

Dense fog shut in at 0730 preventing aircraft operations and an approach and entry into Halifax. At 2050 fog lifted.

(e) Received information from COAC Halifax, that visibility at Halifax was zero, and that conditions were not expected to improve until after noon. At 0545 changed course to 050° and reduced speed to 10 knots and ceased zigzagging. At 0635 changed course to 030°. At 0730 fog shut in, and commenced fog signals. Fog continued until 2050. During this period steered various courses to northeast at 10 and 15 knots, and at 1600 changed course to 090° at 10 knots. At 2050 fog lifted. Called USS NICHOLSON alongside and delivered order and mail by line messenger. Found that SIBOWEY and AORANGI of convoy were missing. Destroyers, NICHOLSON, WALKER, SWANSON and INGRAHAM were detached to proceed to Base Roger searching for SIBOWEY and AORANGI before proceeding.

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