UNITED STATES SHIP USJ PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Friday A 25 December , 1942

ZONE DESCRIPTION Minus 1.

REMARKS

CONFIDENTIAL

- 1. No change to report.
- 2. Nothing to report.
- 3. No change in position.
- 4. 0000 moored CASABLANCA, FRENCH MOROCCO stern to breakwater with 1 chain, 1 wire and 2 manila lines with 60 fathoms of chain to port anchor and 80 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor in 7 fathoms of water. Ship darkened in material condition "Affirm" with the anti-aircraft battery manned boilers numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, steaming in stand-by condition and boiler No. 6 steaming for auxiliary purposes. Ships present: various units of U.S. Atlantic Fleet and French Fleet. ComcruDiv-8 in this vessel (SCPA). Oll6 secured from material condition "Affirm". Set material condition "Baker" plus. Oll7 set condition II Mike Air. Ol20 secured boilers numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4.0245 secured from condition of readiness "II Mike Air", set watch on 4 20MM machine guns. O925 Colors at half-mast in honor of Admiral Darlan's death. 1515 phone communication with beach established. 1706 USS DORAN, USS PARKER, USS PENNINGTON stood out. 1800 lost communication by phone with beach, wire parted. 1935 YMS-29 stood in.
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