

Subject: War Diary for the month of January, 1944.

4. Steaming on course 127°(T), at standard speed 17 knots, enroute HAMPTON ROADS to MEDITERRANEAN Area in company with U.S.S. MADISON (CDD14) and U.S.S. H.P. JONES. Screen stationed 40°3500 yards on either bow, U.S.S. MADISON to starboard. Ship darkened in Condition "BAKER" plus and III Surface. 0300 Commenced zigzagging according to diagram #11 on base course 127°(T). 0930 Held General Quarters for drill. Set Condition "ABLE". 1025 Secured from Condition "ABLE", set Condition "BAKER" plus. 1042 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition III Surface. 1820 Heard radio transmission of enemy submarine on DF bearing 055°(T), within 60 miles. 1900 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 127°(T). Heard submarine homing signal 084°(T), within 60 miles. 1930 Changed course to 147°(T), changed speed to 18 knots. 1940 Commenced zigzagging on base course 147°(T), according to diagram #11. 2025 Held Submarine Emergency drill. Set Condition "ABLE" below second deck. 2033 Secured from Submarine Emergency drill. Set Condition "BAKER" plus.

5. Nothing to report.

6. Nothing to report.

7. No remarks.

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1. Same as previous day.

2. Nothing to report.

3. Position: 0800 Lat: 31°-16.0' N - Long: 65°-29.0' W
 1200 Lat: 31°-12.5' N - Long: 64°-15.0' W
 2000 Lat: 30°-46.0' N - Long: 61°-25.0' W

4. Steaming on base course 147°(T) at 18 knots enroute HAMPTON ROADS, Virginia to MEDITERRANEAN Area in company with U.S.S. MADISON (CDD14) and U.S.S. H.P. JONES. Screen stationed 40°3500 yards on either bow. U.S.S. MADISON to starboard. Ship darkened in Condition "BAKER" plus and III Surface. 0000 Ceased zigzagging, changed base course to 127°(T) and speed to 17 knots. 0300 Commenced zigzagging according to diagram #11. 0630 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 027°(T). 0635 Changed base course to 089°(T). 0645 Commenced zigzagging according to diagram #11. 0900 Held General Quarters for drill. Set Material Condition "ABLE". 0955 Secured from General Quarters, set Material Condition "BAKER" plus and Condition of readiness III Surface. 1130 Screening destroyers conducted A.A. practice. 1210 U.S.S. MADISON reported submarine sound contact. 1212 Executed emergency turn 45° to port. 1213 Changed speed 20 knots. Sounded Submarine Emergency. 1215 Changed course to 030°(T). 1220 Changed course to 089°(T). 1223 Changed speed to 17 knots. 1224 Secured from Submarine Emergency, set Material