

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

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24 January

1. Same as before.
2. Nothing to report.
3. Position: 0800 Lat:  $31^{\circ}-30.0'N$  - Long:  $42^{\circ}-57.0'W$   
 1200 Lat:  $31^{\circ}-19'-15"N$  - Long:  $41^{\circ}-46'-00" W$   
 2000 Lat:  $31^{\circ}-32.0'N$  - Long:  $39^{\circ}-20.0'W$

4. Steaming on course  $089^{\circ}(T)$ , speed 16 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  $40^{\circ}3500$  yards on either bow. U.S.S. MADISON to starboard. Ship darkened in Material Condition "BAKER" plus and Condition of readiness III Surface. 0200 Changed from zone plus 3 to zone plus 2 time. 0645 U.S.S. MADISON reported sound contact bearing  $347^{\circ}(T)$ , range 300 yards. Commenced attack procedure, executed emergency turn  $45^{\circ}$  to port and changed speed to 20 knots. 0646 $\frac{1}{2}$  Sounded Submarine Emergency, steadied on course  $030^{\circ}(T)$ . 0650 Changed course to  $040^{\circ}(T)$ . 0652 Changed course to  $089^{\circ}(T)$ . 0652 $\frac{1}{2}$  Changed speed to 16 knots. 0700 Secured from submarine emergency. 0700 Commenced zigzagging on base course  $089^{\circ}(T)$ , according to diagram #11. 0703 U.S.S. MADISON reported sound contact lost. 0955 U.S.S. MADISON regained station. 1100 Adjusted base course to  $084^{\circ}(T)$ . 1114 U.S.S. H.P. JONES and U.S.S. MADISON firing 5" batteries. 1330 Exercised at General Quarters, set Condition "ABLE". 1335 U.S.S. H.P. JONES and U.S.S. MADISON firing 5" batteries. 1445 Exercised at abandon ship drill. 1524 Secured from Material Condition "ABLE" and set Condition "BAKER" plus. 1530 Secured from General Quarters and set Condition of readiness III Surface. 1900 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course  $084^{\circ}(T)$ .

5. Nothing to report.
6. Nothing to report.
7. No remarks.

25 January

1. Same as before.
2. Nothing to report.
3. Position: 0800 Lat:  $31^{\circ}-59' N$  - Long:  $35^{\circ}-39' W$   
 1200 Lat:  $32^{\circ}-05' N$  - Long:  $39^{\circ}-31' W$   
 2000 Lat:  $32^{\circ}-21' N$  - Long:  $32^{\circ}-08'-45" W$

4. Steaming on course  $084^{\circ}(T)$ , speed 16 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  $40^{\circ} 3500$  yards on either bow, U.S.S. MADISON to starboard. Ship darkened in Material Condition "BAKER" plus and readiness