## U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA

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SUMMARY FOR 19th X DAY STARTED SLOWLY X IN AREA READY FOR FIRING AT 0900 X TARGETS WERE DESIGNATED BY NLO 50 TO BE SPOTTED BY NLO 30 BUT DIFFICULTY DEVELOPED WITH NLO 30 RADIO SETS AND DID NOT ESTABLISH POSITIVE TWO-WAY COMMUNICATIONS UNTIL 1326 X MEANTIME PHILADELPHIA STOOD BY ON FIRING COURSES GOING BACK AND FORTH IN CHANNEL BETWEEN AREAS X-RAY AND PETER X AT 1030 REQUESTED DENDRON TO SEND OUT PLANE FOR SPOTTING X AT REQUEST OF ENSIGN GITHENS (NLO50) ARRANGED TO TAKE HIM ON BOARD TO DISCUSS DIFFICULTIES X WHEN COMMUNICATION WAS ESTABLISHED WITH NLO 30 HE REPORTED HIS TARGETS INACTIVE (THEY WERE ALL DESCRIBED AS GUN BATTERIES) X HIS TARGET NUMBER ONE WAS OUT OF RANGE X IT WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY ARMY ARTILLERY X AT THIS TIME COMMUNICATION WITH HIM AGAIN BECAME UNRELIABLE X AT ABOUT 1340 TOPIC PLANE CAME UP X HE WAS ASSIGNED TARGETS MEANT FOR NLO 30 X USED TARGET NUMBER TWO WHICH WAS AT THE OUTER LIMITS OF RANGE SINCE TARGET NUMBER ONE WAS OUT OF RANGE X IN ORDER TO REACH IT, IT WAS NECESSARY TO USE 2800 F/S POWDER X SPOTS WERE ERRATIC X IT HAS SINCE DEVELOPED THAT SPOTTER HAD INCORRECTLY IDENTIFIED TARGET X FIRING FOR EFFECT WAS NEVER GIVEN X 63 RANGING ROUNDS WERE FIRED X AT 1449 NLO 30 CAME UP AGAIN DESIGNATING A TARGET WHICH WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH 68 ROUNDS, RESULTS EFFECTIVE X I DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH TRANSFER OF GITHENS TO SHORE X NLO 30 HOWEVER REPORTED THAT HE HAD AN URGENT TARGET AND THEREFORE COURSE WAS REVERSED AND 47 ROUNDS FIRED ON THIS TARGET X RESULTS WERE SATISFACTORY X FIRING WAS THEN CEASED FOR THE DAY X ENSIGN GITHENS WAS TRANSFERRED ASHORE AND ALSO FRESH PROVISIONS AND STORES WERE TRANSFERRED FOR LCTS AND OTHER SMALL

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