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UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Tuesday 3 August, 19 43.  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

Zone description \_\_\_\_\_

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.			
Long.			

**OPERATIONAL REMARKS**  
(WAR DIARY)

8 to 12:

Continued: by Radar plot, bearing 142°(T), 5 miles, continued evasive maneuvers. 1057 Eight unidentified planes sighted by lookouts, bearing 000°(T). 1100 All unidentified plane contacts lost by radar, Changed speed to 15 knots, changed course to 270°(T). 1105 Changed course to 090°(T). 1122 Changed course to 055°(T), changed speed to 12 knots. 1126 Commenced firing on target No. 32 (568413). 1131 Spotting plane reported heavy A.A. fire. 1138 Ceased firing; changed course to 310°(T). 1141 Changed speed to 10 knots. 1148 Recovered 2 planes, changed speed to 15 knots; changed course to 265°(T). 1149 Secured from material condition "ABLE", set material condition "BAKER" plus. 1159 Secured from General Quarters; set condition II on the A.A. battery and condition III Air on all other stations, commenced zig-zagging on base course 265 (T). NOTE: 57 rounds of 6"/47 ammunition were expended.



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12 to 16:

As before. 1200 Changed speed to 17 knots (170 RPM). 1330 Sighted convoy LST's 275°(T), distance 10 miles. 1415 Ceased zig-zagging and resumed base course 265°(T). 1420 Changed course to 277°(T). 1425 On various courses and at various speeds standing in swept channel to anchorage. 1455 Sounded special sea details, secured boilers #7 and #8. 1515 Anchored in 17 fathoms of water with 45 fathoms chain to port anchor, Palermo, SICILY on the following bearings: LEFT TANGENT 089.9°(T), BREAKWATER LIGHT 319.5°(T), ARCH 220°(T), STATUE 342°(T). 1507 Secured boilers #5 and #6. 1545 Set condition III Air. NOTE: The following ammunition was expended this date for shore fire support: First phase. 6"/47 cal. - 186 SPD 4344 (Flashless), 66 rounds SPD 3604 (Flashless) TOTAL: 252 rounds. Second phase: 6"/47 cal. - 57 rounds SPD 2540.



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16 to 18:


As before.



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18 to 20:

As before. 1851 U.S.S. SAVANNAH stood in and anchored.



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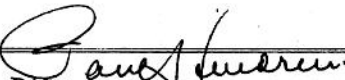
20 to 24:

As before. 2015 Darkened ship. 2020 U.S.S. EDISON standing out. 2025 Sounded sunset General Quarters; set condition "ABLE". 2105 Set condition "BAKER" plus. 2110 Secured from General Quarters; set condition III Air.




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