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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	38°-07'-18" N	38°-07' N	38°-07'-18" N
Long.	13°-23'-12" E	13°-23' E	13°-23'-13" E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS  
(WAR DIARY)

0 to 4:

As before. 0315 Lighted fires under boilers #5 and #6. 0340 Underway standing out of Palermo Harbor on course 079°(T) at 3 knots; Captain at the Conn, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge.

*H. K. Lockwood*  
H.K. LOCKWOOD  
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

4 to 8:

As before. 0525 Ship went to General Quarters. 0557 Set condition "BAKER" plus. 0602 Secured from General Quarters; set condition III Air. 0604 Anchored in Palermo Bay, SICILY in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the following bearings: ARCH 214.5°(T), STATUE 340°(T), SIGNAL TOWER 344.7°(T). 0610 Secured boilers #3 and #4. 0612 Secured boilers #1 and #2. 0630 LCT- 431 came alongside to port.

*E. W. Bryant*  
E.W. BRYANT  
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

8 to 12:

As before. 1050 U.S.S. LST- 383 came alongside to port to receive empty ammunition tanks and ammunition details.

*R. L. Caton*  
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Lieut., U.S.N.R.

12 to 16:

As before. NOTE: Received the following ammunition from U.S.S. SAVANNAH via landing craft, authority CTF 88 Despatch Serial 081225B, dated 8/8/43: 700 6"/47 Projectiles H.C.; 700 cartridges 6"/47 semifixed, service (250 Flashless); 672 Fuzes MK29-1; 200 CTGS, 5"/25 SPDN 3701, MK32 Fuze; 100 CTGS, 5"/25, SPD 2427 A.A. Com; 400 CTGS, 5"/25 SPDF 2627 A.A. Com; 2340 rounds 20MM, H.E.T.; 4680 rounds 20MM H.E.; 2064 rounds 40MM L&F. 1405 Completed transferring the following empty ammunition containers to LST 383 for further transfer to BIZERTE. Authority CTF 88 Despatch 081390B dated 8/9/43. 1088 cases empty 6"/47; 1060 tanks 6"/47; 444 cases empty 5"/25; 421 tanks 5"/25; 3040 cases empty, 40MM in 190 boxes; 8266 - 20MM cases empty in 20 boxes; 19 cases 5"/51 catapult empty in tanks; 661 Brass caps for 6"/47 projectiles.; 800 dummy nose plugs for 6"/47 projectiles in 28 boxes. 1406 Large convoy of LCI's and LST's standing in. 1435 LST 383 cleared side and anchored astern. NOTE: Numerous reports from Radar plot of aircraft contacts, all planes reported were either friendly, lost over land signals or did not approach closer than 8 miles.

*W. A. Fite*  
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Lieut. (jg), U.S.N.

16 to 18:

As before.

*H. K. Lockwood*  
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Lieut., U.S.N.R.

18 to 20:

As before.

*E. W. Bryant*  
E.W. BRYANT  
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

Approved:

*Paul Hendren*  
PAUL HENDREN  
Captain, U.S. Navy,  
Commanding.

Examined:

*C. G. Gesen*  
C.G. GESEN,  
Comdr., DEV-G, U.S.N.R.  
Navigator.

Commanding Officer.

Navigator.