(Continued) UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Tuesday August _, 19<u>43.</u> Zone description. Position

1200

OPERATIONAL REMARKS (WAR DIARY)

16 to 18:

Lat. Long. 0800

As before. 1620 Lighted off fires under boilers #1,2,3, and 4. 1640 Set special sea detail and started heaving short. 1654 Underway, escorted by U.S.S. BRISTOL and U.S.S. LUDLOW; Captain at the Conn, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge, steaming on various courses and speeds to conform to channel. 1655 Left Motor Whale Boat #1 behind at Palermo, SICILY transferring patients to H.M.S. OXFORDSHIRE. The following named men formed crew and passengers of the boat- FELICE, Ralph V., Cox(234-34-46), HANNA, Robert L., S2c (652-92-88), CAMMER Jerome L., MM2c (262-80-31), GROTHE, Max C., S2c (724-67-72), CONNORS, J.F., PhM1c (666-14-03), SHEAR, D.A., PhM2/c (600-00-62). 1727 Lighted off fires under boilers #7 and #8. 1750 Changed course to 086°(T), speed 14.5 knots. 1755 Commenced zigzagging on base course 086°(T) using plan #11, speed 14.5 knots. NOTE: At 1630 boilers #1,2,3,4 cut in on main steam line. NOTE: Had numerous aircraft Radar contacts, all identified either as friendly, lost over land signals or did not approach within 7 miles.

Lieut. (jg), U.S.N.

2000

18 to 20:

As before. 1824 Boilers #7 and #8 cut in on main steam line.

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

20 to 24:

As before. 2002 Sighted Island "VULCANO". 2105 Changed course to 001°(T). 2107 Changed speed to 15 knots (150 RPM). 2110 Commenced zig-zagging from base course 001°(T), using plan #11. 2123 Observed flare bearing 110°(T), distance 10,000 yards. 2135 Observed gun flashes and flares 090°(T) on shore. Unidentified planes passed overhead. 2150 Changed course to 090°(T). 2155 Commenced zig-zagging from base course 090°(T), using plan #11.

Lieut. (jg), U.S.N.

Approved:

PAUL HENDREN Captain, U.S. Navy.

Commanding,

Examined:

Commanding Officer.

Comdr., DEV-G, U.S.N.R.

Navigator.

Navigator.