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U. S. S. GRAINGER (AK 184)
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

11 April 1945.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To : The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
Subject: War Diary - Submission of.
Reference: (a) Cominch Restricted Ltr. FF1/Al2-1/Al6-3, Serial 7152,
of 29 October 1943.

1. For the period of 1 March through 31 March 1945, the U.S.S. GRAINGER (AK-184) has been operating as a school ship under the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

2. This vessel has given training each week to an average of around six (6) officers and eighty (80) enlisted personnel who have been assigned to duty on Auxiliary Cargo Vessels now under construction or conversion.

3. The operation of this vessel is as follows:

(a) Three (3) days, Monday through Wednesday, of dock side instruction in cargo handling, general drills, and general instruction in ship's equipment, use of ship's equipment, and organization. The vessel is at Pier Two, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida, during this period.

(b) A three day cruise commences on Thursday of each week, getting underway at 0900 from Pier Two, and proceeding to the Northern Anchorage, Miami, Florida, where units under instruction continue receiving cargo instruction by loading and unloading simulated cargo under sea conditions for a twenty-four (24) hour period.

(c) A two (2) day period of instruction in ship handling and routine begins Friday morning of each week. This vessel is underway at 0745, as routed by CTG 23.2, and returns to Pier Two, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida, at approximately 1700 each Saturday. This vessel operates in the Florida Straits, South and East of Miami, Florida.

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4. Throughout the period away from the dock, this vessel is escorted by the USS PCS-1376, which also is OTC.

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14 May 1945.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To : The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
Subject: War Diary - Submission of .
Reference: (a) Cominch Restricted ltr. FF1/A12-1/A16-3, Serial 7152,
of 29 October 1943.

1. For the period of 1 April through 30 April 1945, the U.S.S. GRAINGER (AK-184) has been operating as a school ship under the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

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5. On 15 April 1945, this vessel departed at Miami enroute to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, with approximately one hundred (100) tons of general cargo and one (1) unit of forty (40) men on board for training. Departed in accordance with ComGulfSeaFron Despatah 141620, as routed by Port Director, Miami, Florida. Arrived Guantanamo Bay 18 April 1945, discharged cargo, departed Guantanamo 19 April 1945, as routed by Port Director, Guantanamo Bay. Arrived Miami, Florida on 21 April 1945. Training units left ship at Miami on return.

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4 June 1945.

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To : The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
Subject: War Diary - Submission of.
Reference: (a) Cominch Restricted Ltr. FF1/A12-1/A16-3, Serial 7152,
of 29 October 1943.

1. For the period of 1 May through 31 May 1945, the USS GRAINGER, (AK-184) has been operating as a school ship under the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

2. This vessel has given training each week to an average of around six (6) officers and eighty (80) enlisted personnel who have been assigned to duty on Auxiliary Cargo Vessels now under construction or conversion.

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4 June 1945.

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To : The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
Subject: War Diary - Submission of.

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Reference: (a) Cominch Restricted Ltr. FF1/A12-1/A16-3, Serial 7152,
of 29 October 1943.

1. For the period of 1 June through 30 June 1945, the USS GRAINGER, (AK-184) has been operating as a school ship under the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

2. This vessel has given training each week to an average of around twelve (12) officers and one hundred and ten (110) enlisted personnel who have been assigned to duty on Auxiliary Cargo Vessels now under construction or conversion.

3. The operation of this vessel is as follows:

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1 August 1945.

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of 29 October 1943.

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of 29 October 1943.

1. The following is the War Diary for the period of 1 August 1945 through 31 August 1945 inclusive, of the U.S.S. GRAINGER (AK-184).

2. During the period 1 August 1945 to 20 August 1945, this vessel was assigned to the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida for duty as a school ship in accordance with Commander, Fleet Operational Training Command Operation Order C.T.F. 23 No. 225-45 of 17 January 1945, and training officers and enlisted personnel in cargo handling and ship operation and maintenance.

1 and 2 August

Moored port side to north side, Santa Clara Dock, Habana, Cuba, in accordance with and routed by CTG 23.2 dispatch 271713 of July 1945.

3 August

Underway from Santa Clara Dock, Habana, Cuba at 1000, enroute to Miami, Florida in accordance with CTG 23.2 dispatch 271713 of July 1945.

Positions as follows: 1200 - Position 23° 21' N 82° 07' W.
2000 - Position 24° 24' N 80° 50' W.

Steaming in company with U.S.S. YACONA (AOG-45), with this vessel as guide and OTC.

4 August

Steaming as before. 0853 Moored starboard side to Pier #2, Berths D and E, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

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5 August

Moored as before.

6 thru 10 August

During this period vessel is operating in the Florida Straits, south and east of Miami, Florida, in company with the USS PC-566, USS PC-489, USS PC-1200, USS ENTRIGUE (AM-253), and USS KNAVE (AM-256). The USS PC-566 is OTC and Guide.

11 August

Steaming as before. 1425 Moored starboard side to Pier #2, Berths D and E, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

12 August

Moored as before.

13 August

Moored as before. 0820 Underway from Miami, Florida in accordance with CTG 23.2 operation orders, serial 0568 of 11 August 1945. Steaming in company with the USS AM-253, USS DE-6, and the USS DE-47, on training cruise operating in the Florida Straits, south and east of Miami, Florida.

14 August

Steaming as before.

15 August

Steaming as before. 0853 Moored starboard side to Pier #2, Berths D & E, U.S. Naval Training Center, Miami, Florida.

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16 thru 19 August

Moored as before. Discharging cargo training gear in preparation for detachment from duty as school ship and further assignment.

20 August

Moored as before. 1349 Underway in accordance with COTCLant dispatch 172107 of August 1945, steaming independently and enroute to Galveston, Texas for yard availability and further routing. Position at 2000: 24° 58'N 80° 18.5'W.

21 August

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 24° 20'N 82° 25'W.
1200 - 24° 38'N 83° 24'W
2000 - 25° 11.5'N 84° 51'W.

22 August

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 26° 04'N 86° 59'W
1200 - 26° 21'N 87° 48'W
2000 - 26° 52.2'N 89° 20.2'W

23 August

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 27° 53.5'N 91° 42'W
1200 - 28° 06'N 92° 15.0'W
2000 - 28° 42'N 93° 28'W

24 August

Steaming as before. 0650 Sighted Galveston, Texas sea buoy and commenced maneuvering to maintain position awaiting pilot. 0925 Anchored in Bolivar Roads, Anchorage #2, Galveston, Texas.

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25 August

Anchored as before. 1140 Moored to pier "EB", Todd Galveston Dry Dock Company, in accordance with basic orders, to begin yard availability period. 1440 In accordance with orders from Port Director, moved ship to Pier #39, Galveston, Texas as a precaution against approaching hurricane. All necessary precautions were taken for vessel to weather approaching hurricane, highest wind velocity was force four (4).

26 thru 28 August

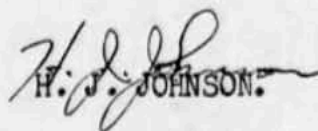
Moored as before. Highest wind velocity was force five (5) on 26 August 1945; force eight (8) on 27 August 1945; force seven (7) on 28 August 1945.

29 August

Moored as before. 1106 Shifted berthing to Todd-Galveston Dry Dock Company. Ship will undergo a five (5) day yard availability for emergency repairs and alterations, in accordance with COTCLant dispatch 172107 of August 1945. Highest wind velocity was force three (3).

30 thru 31 August

Moored as before with ship undergoing emergency repairs under supervision of Industrial Manager, U.S. Navy, Galveston, Texas.


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1 September

In accordance with COTCLant dispatch 172107 of August 1945, moored port side to S/S Round Splice, berth "EB", Todd Galveston Dry Dock, Galveston, Texas. Ship is undergoing yard availability in accordance with basic orders.

2 and 3 September

Moored as before.

4 September

Moored as before. 1200 Completed yard availability period. 1302 Underway from berth "EB", Todd Galveston Dry Dock Co., Galveston, Texas, to Pier #20, Galveston, Texas. 1335 Moored port side to Pier #20, Galveston, Texas for the purpose of loading stores.

5 September

Moored as before. 0354 Underway from Pier #20, Galveston, Texas, enroute to New Orleans, La., in accordance with Port Director, Galveston, Texas orders, Serial 162 of 31 August 1945. Positions:

0800	29° 03.5' N	94° 08.0' W.
1200	28° 55.5' N	93° 16.0' W.
2000	28° 41.8' N	91° 42.5' W.

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6 September 1945

Steaming as before. 0804 Arrival Southwest Pass, Louisiana.
0806 Proceeding up Mississippi River to New Orleans, La.
1815 Moored starboard side to U.S. Naval Supply Depot, New
Orleans, La. Positions: 0800 - 28° 50.0'N 89° 30.0'W

7 September 1945

Moored as before. 0800 Commenced loading general cargo.
1700 Secured from loading cargo.

8 September 1945.

Moored as before. 0800 Resumed loading cargo. 1155 Secured
from loading cargo.

9 September 1945

Moored as before.

10 September 1945

Moored as before. 0800 Resumed loading cargo. 1700 Secured
from loading cargo.

11 September 1945

Moored as before. 0800 Resumed loading cargo. 1630 Secured
from loading cargo.

12 September 1945

Moored as before. 0800 Resumed loading cargo. 1530 Secured
from loading cargo.

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13 September

Moored as before. 0800 Resumed loading cargo. 1645 Completed taking aboard general cargo.

14 September

Moored as before. 0809 Underway from U.S. Naval Supply Depot, New Orleans, La., enroute to ESSO Fuel Docks, Chalmette, La. 1206 Underway from ESSO Fuel Docks, Chalmette, La. Commenced swinging ship to calibrate ship's magnetic compasses. 1348 Completed swinging ship. Proceeding down Mississippi River enroute to Balboa, Canal Zone, in accordance with Chief of Naval Operations dispatch 071435 of September 1945. 2021 Anchored off Pilottown, La., in accordance with orders from ComEight, due to severe tropical hurricane proceeding up the coast of Florida and extending into the Gulf of Mexico.

15 September

Anchored as before. Hurricane course is still doubtful, making navigation in the Gulf of Mexico unsafe.

16 September

Anchored as before. Hurricane course is now well determined, making navigation again safe in the Gulf of Mexico. 1432 Underway from Pilottown, La., enroute to Balboa, Canal Zone, in accordance with basic orders.
Positions: 2000 - 28° 24.0'N 89° 07.0'W.

17 September

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 26° 18.0'N 88° 06.0'W.
1200 - 25° 43.0'N 87° 32.0'W.
2000 - 24° 29.0'N 86° 36.0'W.

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18 September

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 22° 43.0'N 85° 34.0'W
1200 - 22° 12.0'N 85° 12.0'W
2000 - 21° 11.0'N 84° 36.0'W

19 September

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 19° 02.0'N 83° 33.0'W
1200 - 18° 30.0'N 83° 08.0'W
2000 - 17° 28.9'N 82° 27.0'W

20 September

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 15° 32.0'N 81° 31.0'W
1200 - 14° 57.0'N 81° 18.0'W
2000 - 13° 47.0'N 80° 51.0'W

21 September

Steaming as before. 2150 Arrival Cristobal Harbor, Canal Zone.
2309 Moored starboard side to berth "B", Pier #1, Coco Solo,
Canal Zone, in accordance with orders from port authorities,
awaiting passage through Panama Canal.
Positions: 0800 - 11° 45.0'N 80° 32.5'W
1200 - 11° 07.0'N 80° 19.5'W
2000 - 9° 42.0'N 79° 57.5'W

22 September

Moored as before.

23 September

Moored as before. 0840 Underway from Coco Solo, Canal Zone,
enroute to Balboa, Canal Zone in accordance with basic orders.
Proceeding through Panama Canal. 1545 Moored port side to
Pier #18, Berth "E", Balboa, Canal Zone.

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24 September

Moored as before. 0700 Commenced discharging cargo. 1325 Secured from discharging cargo. 1715 Resumed discharging cargo.

25 September

Moored as before. 0030 Secured from discharging cargo. 0700 Resumed discharging cargo. 1445 Secured from discharging cargo.

26 September

Moored as before. 0700 Resumed discharging cargo. 1445 Secured from discharging cargo. 1700 Resumed discharging cargo.

27 September

Moored as before. 0045 Secured from discharging cargo. 0700 Resumed discharging cargo. 1445 Secured from discharging cargo.

28 September

Moored as before. 0700 Resumed discharging cargo. Commenced loading general cargo, consigned to San Pedro, California. 1905 Completed loading and discharging all cargo.

29 September

Moored as before. 0747 Underway from Pier #18, Berth "E", Balboa, Canal Zone enroute to San Pedro, California, in accordance with Port Directors Dispatch 281925 of September 1945.
Positions: 1200 - 8° 12.5'N 79° 30'.0'W.
2000 - 7° 10.0'N 80° 11.5'W.

30 September

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30 September

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 7° 13.0'N 82° 06.0'W.
1200 - 7° 29.5'N 82° 42.0'W.
2000 - 8° 08.0'N 84° 00.0'W.

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of 29 October 1943.

1. The following is the War Diary for the period of 1 October 1945 through 31 October 1945 inclusive, of the U.S.S. GRAINGER (AK-184).

1 October

Steaming independently enroute from Balboa, Canal Zone, to San Pedro, California, in accordance with Port Director, Balboa, Canal Zone, Dispatch 281925 of September 1945.

Positions: 0800 - 8° 49.9'N 85° 39.3'W
1200 - 9° 06.0'N 86° 11.0'W
2000 - 9° 42.1'N 87° 21.0'W

2 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 10° 25.5'N 88° 29.9'W
1200 - 10° 35.8'N 89° 19.0'W
2000 - 11° 07.3'N 90° 22.8'W

3 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 11° 56.0'N 92° 09.0'W
1200 - 12° 11.0'N 92° 42.0'W
2000 - 12° 44.4'N 93° 40.0'W

4 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 13° 36.0'N 95° 27.5'W
1200 - 13° 46.1'N 95° 54.0'W
2000 - 14° 20.0'N 96° 47.0'W

5 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 15° 19.0'N 98° 31.0'W
1200 - 15° 38.0'N 99° 10.2'W
2000 - 16° 27.0'N 99° 43.5'W

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6 October

Steaming as before. 0800 Commenced experiencing high winds and heavy rains. 1600 wind velocity dropped to Force 3 and steadied there with heavy rains continuing.

Positions: 0800 - 18° 27.0'N 104° 22.5'W
1200 - 18° 49.1'N 105° 20.0'W
2000 - 19° 15.5'N 106° 08.5'W

7 October

Steaming as before. 1000 Heavy rains ceased. Sky ugly and threatening. 1200 Commenced drizzling, visibility limited to 2000 yards.

1400 Ceased drizzling; visibility normal.
Positions: 0800 - 18° 27.0'N 104° 22.5'W
1200 - 18° 49.1'N 105° 20.0'W
2000 - 19° 15.5'N 106° 08.5'W

8 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 19° 52.0'N 107° 24.0'W
1200 - 20° 20.0'N 107° 55.0'W
2000 - 21° 21.0'N 108° 58.0'W

9 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 22° 47.2'N 110° 33.2'W
1200 - 23° 10.0'N 111° 00.0'W
2000 - 24° 21.0'N 112° 17.0'W

10 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 26° 07.5'N 114° 13.0'W
1200 - 26° 41.0'N 114° 45.0'W
2000 - 27° 56.0'N 115° 41.0'W

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11 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 29° 48.0'N 116° 55.0'W
1200 - 30° 28.0'N 117° 06.0'W
2000 - 31° 57.0'N 117° 31.0'W

12 October

Steaming as before. 0730 Arrived San Pedro, California, Harbor.
0821 Moored port side to Berth 229, San Pedro, California, to
discharge cargo.

13 October

Moored as before. 0800 Commenced discharging cargo. 1430 Completed
discharging cargo. 2029 Underway from Berth 229, San Pedro, Cal-
ifornia, enroute to San Francisco, California, in accordance with
Commander Western Sea Frontier Dispatch 122151 of October, 1945.

14 October

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 34° 31.8'N 120° 40.0'W
1200 - 35° 03.2'N 121° 03.5'W
2000 - 36° 06.5'N 121° 56.5'W

15 October

Steaming as before. 0750 Arrived San Francisco, California, Harbor.
0930 Anchored in Anchorage 9, Berth 42, San Francisco, California,
in accordance with port authorities orders.

16 October

Anchored as before.

17 October

Anchored as before.

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18 October

Anchored as before.

19 October

Anchored as before.

20 October

Anchored as before.

21 October

Anchored as before.

22 October

Anchored as before.

23 October

Anchored as before. Underway in accordance with Port director, San Francisco, California, Dispatch 221340 of October 1945, enroute to Encinal Terminal, Alameda, California, 0802 Moored port side to berth four, Encinal Terminal, Alameda, California, to load cargo. 0915 Commenced loading cargo.

24 October

Moored as before. 0500 Secured from loading cargo. 0800 Resumed loading cargo.

25 October

Moored as before. 0500 Secured from loading cargo. 0800 Resumed loading cargo. 1700 Secured from loading cargo. 2000 Resumed loading cargo.

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26 October

Moored as before. 0500 Secured from loading cargo. 0800
Resumed loading cargo. 1700 Secured from loading cargo.
2000 Resumed loading cargo.

27 October

Moored as before. 0500 Secured from loading cargo. 0800
Resumed loading cargo. 1600 Secured from loading cargo.

28 October

Moored as before.

29 October

Moored as before. 0805 Resumed loading cargo. 1323 Completed
loading cargo.

30 October

Moored as before.

31 October

Moored as before. 0758 Underway from berth 4, Encinal Terminal,
Alameda, California, enroute to Saipan, Mariana Is. in
accordance with Commander Western Sea Frontier Letter, Serial
906-C&R of 1810, 30 October 1945.

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1 November

Steaming independently enroute from Alameda, California to Saipan, Mariana Islands in accordance with Commander Western Sea Frontier Letter, serial 906-C & R of 1810, 30 October 1945.
Positions: 0800 - 37-13.2 N 126-47.0 W
1200 - 37-09.0 N 127-34.5 W
2000 - 36-59.0 N 129-15.0 W

2 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 36-28.0 N 132-21.0 W
1200 - 36-29.0 N 133-19.0 W
2000 - 36-21.0 N 135-10.0 W

3 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 36-03.0 N 137-58.0 W
1200 - 35-50.0 N 138-43.2 W
2000 - 35-35.0 N 140-31.5 W

4 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 34-58.0 N 143-07.5 W
1200 - 34-46.5 N 144-12.0 W
2000 - 34-17.0 N 146-02.0 W

5 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 33-35.5 N 148-41.2 W
1200 - 33-23.0 N 149-13.6 W
2000 - 32-55.0 N 150-47.0 W

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6 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 32-12.0 N 153-18.3 W
1200 - 31-55.0 N 154-13.5 W
2000 - 31-28.8 N 155-53.0 W

7 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 30-40.0 N 157-58.0 W
1200 - 30-21.0 N 158-50.0 W
2000 - 29-59.0 N 160-39.4 W

8 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 29-45.0 N 162-58.2 W
1200 - 29-40.0 N 164-45.5 W
2000 - 29-30.2 N 165-34.4 W

9 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 29-17.0 N 168-04.0 W
1200 - 29-08.0 N 168-50.0 W
2000 - 29-00.0 N 170-26.8 W

10 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 28-35.5 N 172-59.9 W
1200 - 28-27.5 N 173-55.5 W
2000 - 28-11.5 N 175-38.5 W

11 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 27-38.2 N 178-03.0 W
1200 - 27-29.8 N 178-50.8 W

1751 Crossed International Date Line. Advanced ship's clocks twenty four hours.

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12 November

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13 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 26-32.4 N 177-21.0 E
1200 - 26-18.3 N 176-26.5 E
2000 - 25-57.0 N 174-51.0 E

14 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 25-13.0 N 172-52.0 E
1200 - 25-00.0 N 171-45.5 E
2000 - 24-34.0 N 170-04.0 E

15 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 23-46.0 N 167-43.0 E
1200 - 23-32.0 N 166-58.0 E
2000 - 23-02.0 N 165-27.8 E

16 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 22-14.8 N 163-21.7 E
1200 - 22-05.0 N 162-39.0 E
2000 - 21-47.0 N 161-32.0 E

17 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 20-46.0 N 158-50.0 E
1200 - 20-24.0 N 158-01.5 E
2000 - 19-42.0 N 156-42.3 E

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18 November

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1200 - 18-22.0 N 153-42.0 E
2000 - 17-46.0 N 152-20.0 E

19 November

Steaming as before. Positions: 0800 - 16-47.2 N 150-12.2 E
1200 - 16-29.2 N 149-29.9 E
2000 - 15-50.0 N 147-58.5 E

20 November

Steaming as before. 1330 Anchored in berth L75, in accordance with orders from Port Director, Saipan, Marianas Islands.
Positions: 0800 - 14-56.5 N 145-53.0 E
1200 - 15-09.0 N 145-35.5 E

21 November

Anchored as before. 1418 Underway from berth L75, Saipan Harbor enroute to pier A-8, in accordance with Port Director, Saipan, dispatch 210130 of November 1945. 1603 Moored starboard side to pier A-8, Saipan Harbor. 1840 Commenced discharging cargo.

22 November

Moored as before. 0110 Secured from discharging cargo.

23 November

Moored as before. 0835 Resumed discharging cargo.

24 November

Moored as before. 0120 Secured from discharging cargo. 0800 Resumed discharging cargo. 1545 Secured from discharging cargo.

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25 November

Moored as before.

26 November

Moored as before.

27 November

Moored as before.

28 November

Moored as before.

29 November

Moored as before. 1215 Resumed discharging cargo.

30 November

Moored as before. 0140 Secured from discharging cargo. 0730 Resumed discharging cargo.

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