

U.S.S. JAMES O'HARA.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS - EXERCISE 4AP

May 17, 1943.

Zero Hour 2100 ----- "H" Hour 2400

Boats when lowered will form in assembly area on starboard side. LCVP form on starboard quarter - LCM (3) form on starboard beam - 300 yards from ship.

Boats will be called along side from after signal station by use of colored flashlights using Morse Signals and Bull Horn, ..._ for LCVP and ..._ _ for LCM (3).

| <u>Debarkation Station</u> | <u>Color of Light</u> | <u>Color of Wave Comdrs. Lights</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | Red | 1 - Red |
| 3 | White | 2 - White |
| 5 | Blue | 3 - Blue |
| 7 | Yellow | 4 - Yellow |
| 9 | Green | 5 - Green |
| | | 6 - Red (2) |

Boat group and assistant boat group Commander--
Blue lights, double flashes.

Control Vessel will make series of dots two minutes before leaving Rendezvous Area and two minutes before reaching line of departure -- color Red.

Blinking light en route: a series of 5 second flashes with 10 second darkness means slow down. Cessation of flashes, resume speed. Steady white light means stop.

Waves will be dispatched to beach from line of departure by series of flashes, colored light corresponding to wave color. Cessation of flashes is signal to shove off.

Control vessel will have steady dim red light. First four waves will circle off primary control vessel ----5th----5th Wave: will circle off secondary control vessel.

Don't lose Visual Contact with control vessel.

TIME DIAGRAM.

| <u>Wave Number</u> | <u>Leave Rendezvous Area</u> | <u>Leave L.of D.</u> | <u>Beach</u> |
|--------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| 1 | H-50 | H-10 | H-Hour |
| 2 | H-50 | H-6 | H+ 4 |
| 3 | H-50 | H-2 | H+ 8 |
| 4 | H-50 | H+ 2 | H+ 12 |
| 5 | H-40 | H+ 6 | H+ 16 |

WAVE DIAGRAM.

Formation from Rendezvous Area to line of departure is open VEE.

At night the 1st four waves will leave the Rendezvous area when the Primary Control vessel leaves for the line of departure.

0 11
12 0 0 13
14 0 0 15
16 0 0 17
18 () () 21 0 19
22 0 0 23
24 () 0 25
26 0 0 27
28 () () 31 0 29
32 0 0 33
34 () () 35
36 () 0 37
38 () 0 39
 () 41
42 0 0 43
44 0 0 45
46 () 0 47
48 () 0 49
 () 51
52 0 0 53
54 0 0 55
56 () 0 57
58 0 0 59

First Four waves will be all LCVP's.

Enclosure B.

LOADING PLAN - (DEBARKATION)

There will be no rail loading. All boats will go to assembly area when placed in water.

| Station Color | <u>1</u> Red | <u>3</u> White | <u>5</u> Blue | <u>7</u> Yellow | <u>9</u> Green |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Boat, Wave 1 | 11 17 | 13 19 | 15 16 | 12 18 | 14 |
| Boat, Wave 2 | 22 | 21 27 | 23 28 | 25 29 | 24 26 |
| Boat, Wave 3 | 31 39 | 32 36 | 33 37 | 34 | 35 38 |
| Boat, Wave 4 | 42 43 | 44 45 | 46 47 | 48 49 | 41 |
| Boat, Wave 5 | 51 57 | 52 59 | 53 | 54 58 | 55 56 |

GENERAL INFORMATION.

- (1) JAMES O'HARA Support boats go in first wave. ANDROMEDA Support boats go in with third wave.
- (2) Boat Officers from ANDROMEDA will board JAMES O'HARA at 2015; upon arrival they will be designated as wave commanders and assistant commanders of fourth and fifth waves.
- (3) The fifth wave will leave the Rendezvous area with the secondary control vessel for the line of departure in the same manner as the 1st four waves.
- (5) Circles in Rendezvous area must be kept tight and close to Control Vessel.
- (6) Wave commander's responsibility to have wave hit the right beach, at the right time, in the right formation.

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May 16, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO ALL OFFICERS:

STATIONS FOR DEBARKATION OF
TROOPS AND CARGO

Bridge - Lt. Comdr. Parker - Lt. (jg) Selvitz
Station #1 - Ens. Souweine - #1 Hatch
Station #3 - Ens. Giveans - #2 Hatch
Station #5 - Ens. Massard - #3 Hatch
Station #7 - Lt. (jg) Jensen - #4 Hatch
Station #9 - A. P. C. Stumm - #5 Hatch
After Signal Station - Lt. (jg) Stiles
First Lieutenant - Lt. Justice in charge forward deck.
Third Division Officer - Lt. (jg) Titcomb in charge after deck.

| Station Color | 1 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 9 |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| | Red | White | Blue | Yellow | Green |
| 1st Boat | 11(V) | 21(V) | 31(V) | 41(V) | 51(V) |
| 2nd Boat | 12(V) | 13(V) | 14(V) | 15(V) | 61(V) |
| 3rd Boat | 16(V) | 17(V) | 18(V) | 22(V) | 23(V) |
| 4th Boat | 24(V) | 25(V) | 26(V) | 27(V) | 28(V) |
| 5th Boat | 32(V) | 33(V) | 34(V) | 35(V) | 36(V) |
| 6th Boat | 37(V) | 38(V) | 42(V) | 43(V) | 44(V) |
| 7th Boat | 45(V) | 46(V) | 47(V) | 48(V) | 52(M) |
| 8th Boat | 53(M) | 54(M) | 55(M) | 56(V) | 57(V) |
| 9th Boat | 62(M) | 63(M) | 64(M) | 65(M) | 66(V) |
| 10th Boat | | 67(V) | | | |

Boats will be called alongside stations by use of colored lights.

...--V for L.C.V.P. and --- M for L.C.M.

As fast as boats are loaded and ready to clear ship, De-
barkation Officer in charge on Bridge must be notified as to
type of craft needed and hatch requiring same. This should be
done before last sling load goes in boat or last of troops go
over side. This must be done to assure no delay in discharging
as every minute counts.

DAVID L. PARKER,
Executive Officer.

CONTROL VESSEL AND RENDEZVOUS AREA

U.S.S. ANDROMEDA

May 15, 1943.

