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3 May 1945

From: Commander.  
To : Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Fleet.  
Subject: War Diary, April, 1945.  
Reference: (a) Com7thPhib Restricted ltr FE25/A12-1/A16-3(3)  
Serial: 35 dated 4 January 1944.

1. In compliance with reference (a), the following War Diary for this command is submitted:

- 1 April 1945: WAR DIARY for USS LCT(6) GROUP 66, Flotilla 22, Seventh Amphibious Force, Seventh Fleet. Composed of LCT's 1038, 1039, 1067, 1068, 1069, 1070, 1071, 1072, 1073, 1074, 1076. Flagship of Group 66 - U.S. LCT(6) 1071. LCTs of Group 66 operating in Subic Bay, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Exceptions: LCTs 1038, 1039, operating in Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. LCTs temporarily attached to ComLCTGroup 66 for operational purposes: LCTs 719, 721, 722, 724, 726, 729, 1063, 1209, 1210, 1222, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262. Operations consist of unloading merchant ships for Army and Navy, and unloading and carrying supplies for Destroyer Squadrons and Cruiser Divisions.
- 2 - 3 April 1945: LCTs of Group 66 operating in Subic Bay and Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, P. I.
- 4 April 1945: 0600 - LCTs 1067, 1068, 1069, 1070, 1071, 1072, 1073, 1074, 1076, in company with LCTs 719, 722, 724, and LCC 81, fell into column with USS APC 12 as column guide; destination, Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, P.I. Movement order: Com7thPhib Spdltr File No. A4-3 Serial M-041 dated 3 Apr 1945. 0755 - LCTs took convoy position in three columns. 0800 - Sea smooth; wind force 3 NW; visibility unlimited. 2000 - Sea smooth; wind light NW.
- 5 April 1945: 0000 - Underway in convoy formation. 0030 - Sighted convoy on starboard. 0800 - Underway in convoy formation. 1500 - Anchored in Lingayen Gulf at mouth of Bued River south of San Fabian. 1542 - LCTs underway in column, USS APC12 column guide.

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(Continued): 1700 - Anchored close aboard USS APc16 (ComLCTFlot22)  
off Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

6-30 April 1945: During this period, LCT's of Group 66 carried on  
operations consisting of unloading cargo vessels,  
operating for the Army. Other LCT's operating  
under operational control of ComLCTGroup66: 1148,  
1149, 1150, 799, 725, 723, 735, 1035, 1253, 1272.

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