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282 Division,
TWO EIGHTY-TWO Twenty Eight Squadron,
Attached to: FOUR Flotilla, ATLANTIC Fleet,
FIFTH Naval District

Commencing 0001 (+01), 1 OCTOBER, 1942 (zone time and date)
at DESTROYER SUBMARINE PIER, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA (location)

and ending 2400 (+04), 31 OCTOBER, 1942 (zone time and date)
at 23°03'N, 71°27'W (location)
00-08 Steaming with Task Group 83.2 as a unit of TG 83.2.2 in an S-ship concentric screening screen around USS RANDOLPH (CVS 35) on circle 5. Screen stations as follows: 
1 USN KEMIX (DD 770), 2 USS WHEELER (DD 466), 3 USS MURRAY (DD 576), 4 USS EINSTEIN (DD 516), 5 USS EATON (DD 511), 6 USS BALE (DD 471), and 7 USN BACHE (DD 477). On station the guide RANDOLPH, bears 045°T, distance 5000 yards. Base course at a speed of 9 knots. CSSA is CONGAR DIV 16 and CTG 83.2 in RANDOLPH. CG 12 Commanding Officer, RANDOLPH, and CTG 83.2, CO, Screen Commander in CONGER DIV 16 and CTG 83.2.2 in LOAY. Boilers #1 and #2 are on the main steam line with the ship's electrical load on #1 and #2.3/s generators. Material Condition YOK3 is 100% serviceable. The ship is powered with the exception of #1's navigation lights. 0101- Changed base course to 290°T, changed base speed to 20 knots.

04-08 Steaming as before. 0727- c/o to 000°T, c/o to 10 knots. 0737- c/o to 290°T c/o to 20 knots.

08-12 Steaming as before. 0615- Exercised the crew at general quarters. 0623- Conducted abandon ship drill. 0645- Secured from abandon ship drill. 0705- Secured from general quarters. 0915- c/base course to 110°T; c/o to 10 knots. 0945- c/base course to 075°T, c/base speed to 20 knots. 1101- c/base course to 080°T. 1100- Made weekly test of magazine sprinkling and flooding systems; conditions satisfactory, test completed. Made weekly test of deauning gear; test satisfactory.

12-16 Steaming as before. 1201- c/o to 085°T. 1230- c/o to 050°T c/o to 12 knots. 1250- Guide is USS KASKASKIA (AO 27) in station #6. 1515- c/o to 20 knots. Proceed to lifeguard station for EATON 1000 yards astern of KASKASKIA.

16-19 Steaming as before. 1540- Commenced making approach alongside KASKASKIA to take on 1559- On station. 1700- First line over. 1705- Commenced fueling. 1750- Fuelling completed.

18-20 Steaming as before. 1815- All lines clear, c/o to 20 knots. 1820- c/o to 250°T, maneuvering to take station #6 in a concentric screen. When on station the guide RANDOLPH, bears 045°T, 5000 yards, the guide is KASKASKIA in station 0, base course 050°T, base speed 12 knots. 1857- Set condition IAW, investigating possible submarine contact. 1933- Secured from condition IAW. 1935- Maneuvering to take station #3 of concentric screen, base course 050°T, base speed 12 knots, on station the guide KASKASKIA will bear 235°T, 7700 yards. 1950- Maneuvering to take station #2 of concentric circular screen, on station the guide RANDOLPH will bear 090°T, 1000 yards. Base course to 20 knots.

20-24 Steaming as before. 2025- c/o to 114°T; c/o to 20 knots. On station. 2202- Maneuvering courses and speeds while investigating sonar contact. 2210- Proceeding to recall. Completed sonar investigation. 2229-c/o to 114°T, c/o to 20 knots, on station.