DECK LOG BOOK
OF THE
U.S.S. "KEPLER"

DD 765
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

COMMANDED BY
C. C. DISK, CDR., U.S.N.

COMDESDIV 242 Division,
COMDESRON TWENTY-FOUR Squadron,

Attached to
COMDESEPLOT FOUR Flotilla,
COMERSONDEPLOT Fleet,
FIRST Naval District,

Commencing 0001 1 November, 1962,
at SOUTHEAST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES, (location)
and ending 0000 30 November, 1962,
(zone line and date)
at DAVISVILLE, RHODE ISLAND (location)

TO BE FORWARDED DIRECT TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH.
00-06 Steaming independently off the southeastern coast of the United States in accordance with OIP Op-Order 1-62. This ship proceeding to rendezvous with the USS SPERRY (DD 697). Base course 055°, base speed 22 knots. Condition of readiness four and material condition ORHA (modified) set. 0015 c/o to 055 T. 0146 c/o to 15 knots. 0152 c/o to 12 knots. 0157 c/o to 22 knots. 0210 c/o to 055 T. 0243 c/o to 022. 0308 c/o to 015 T. 0314 c/o to 15 knots. 0333 c/o to 020 T. 0352 c/o to 021 T.

F. G. Sandeck
Lieut, USN

04-08 Steaming as before. 0408 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to take station for tracking surfaced Russian Submarine. When on station submarine will bear 095 T, at 5000 yards. 0415 c/o to 10 knots. 0431 c/o to 5 knots. 0446 to 055 T. On station 0446 c/o 4 knots. 0459 c/o to 055 T. 0513 c/o to 8 knots. 0516 c/o to 10 knots. 0527 c/o 5 to 8 knots. 0548 c/o 055 T. 0555 c/o to 8 knots. 0550 c/o to 100 T. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while taking new station on starboard quarter of surfaced Russian Submarine. When on station, submarine will bear 015 T, at 5000 yards.

N. S. Mato
Lt(jg) USN

06-12 Steaming as before. 0800 mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: BROWN, L. A., 536 OI 45, SA, USN; GISBORNO, F. A., 520 50 95, SA, USN; WOODS, J. L., 588 64 11, PA USN; THOMPSON, C. D., 520 08 94, SA, USN, all having been UA since 0730 21 October 1952, 0815 on station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station. 0955 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

N. G. Koon
Lt(jg) USN

12-16 Steaming as before.

N. G. Koon
Lt(jg) USN

16-18 Steaming as before.

N. G. Koon
Lt(jg) USN

18-20 Steaming as before.

N. G. Koon
Lt(jg) USN

20-26 Steaming as before.

F. G. Sandeck
Lt(jg) USN

APPROVED:

C. C. Deane, CDR
USN

EXAMINED:

E. A. DePrisco, LT
USN

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH.
00-04 Steaming independently of the east coast of the United States as a unit of ASKFORLAN in accordance with CONASFORLAN message 052214Z October 1962. Base course 090°, base speed 6 knots, while tracking and keeping station on a surfaced Russian submarine. Submarine bears 0° T, range 2500 yards. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain this bearing and range. Condition of readiness III and material condition Zebra (modified) are set.

P. G. Sandey
LAJG, USN

04-08 Steaming as before. 0645 maneuvering on various courses and speeds submarine tracking dead in water.

N. A. Mayo
LAJG, USN

08-12 Steaming as before. 0800 mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None. 0805 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while maintaining within sight of Russian submarine. Russian submarine is dead in the water. 0930 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

N. G. Koon
LAJG, USN

12-16 Steaming as before. 1200 Russian submarine, (Pennon # 945) a/c to 060° T, c/a to 5 knots. 1245 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to take station off the port quarter of the Russian submarine (Pennon #945), when on station the submarine will bear 060° T, range 2000 yards. Base course 060° T, base speed 5 knots. 1330 Russian submarine is dead in the water. Maneuvering at various courses at various speeds to remain within 2000 yards of Russian submarine. 1345 Russian submarine a/c to 060° T, c/a to 5 knots. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to remain off port quarter of Russian submarine. When on station Russian submarine will bear 060°, range 2000 yards. Base course 060°, base speed 5 knots. 1445 on station. 1500 the summary court-martial LAJG N. G. Koon, USN opened at 1500 in the case of Holan, T. V., 539 98 92, FN, USN.

P. G. Sandey
LAJG, USN

16-20 Steaming as before. 1725 the summary court martial in the case of Holan, T. V., 539 98 92, FN, USN, adjourned to await the action of the conveying authority.

N. G. Koon
LAJG, USN

20-24 Steaming as before.

P. G. Sandey
LAJG, USN
CO-04 Steaming independently off the east coast of the United States as a unit of AWFORTANT. In accordance with COMAWFORTANT message 052214Z, October 1962. Base course 040° T, base speed 6 knots, while tracking and keeping station on surfaced Russian submarine. Submarine bears 080° T, range 2000 to 2500 yards. Condition of readiness three and material condition ZEBRA (modified) set. 0147 c/s to 8 knots. 0148 c/s to 330° T. 0151 c/s to 6 knots. 0225 c/s to 335° T. 0221 c/s to 120° T. 0225 c/s to 8 knots. 0240 c/s to 140° T. 0245 c/s to 6 knots. 0245 c/s to 160° T. 0250 c/s to 175° T. 0305 c/s to 8 knots. 0308 c/s to 9 knots. 0313 c/s to 185° T. 0308 c/s to 10 knots. 0313 c/s to 175° T. 0316 c/s to 8 knots. 0317 c/s to 7 knots.

M. A. MAYO
LCGG, USN

04-08 Steaming as before. 0400 sighted three white flares from unidentified contact bearing 170° T, range 8 miles. 0401 c/s to 180° T. 0402 went to General Quarters condition 1AB. Set material condition ZEBRA. 0410 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while remaining in sight of Russian submarine and unidentified surface contact as they closed each other. 0617 unidentified surface contact identified as Russian Trawler. 0645 secured from General Quarters. Condition LAS set. Material condition ZEBRA (modified). 0649 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the station. 0650 distance 2000 yards. 0656 on station. 0700 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the station 2000 yards astern of Russian submarine and Trawler. 0729 set the sonar attack team, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds in order to maintain sonar contact with the Russian submarine. 0735 submarine submerged.

N. C. KOON
LGCG, USN

CO-12 Maneuvering as before. 0800 mustered the crew on station. Absentees: None. 0900 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while remaining within sight of the Russian submarine and Russian Trawler. 1045 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1115 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the station. 1150 on station. 1200 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the station on the starboard quarter of the Russian Trawler.

M. A. MAYO
LGCG, USN

12-16 Maneuvering as before. 1255 on station. Set course OS5, speed 8 knots. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while maintaining station.

J. W. WICKENDEN III
ENS, UNRN

16-20 Maneuvering as before. 1630 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the station on the port quarter of the Russian submarine. 1740 on station set course 040° T, speed 9 knots. 1710 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to take station on the starboard quarter of the Russian submarine. 1711 on station. Set course OS5 T, speed 9 knots.

P. G. RAINEY
LGCG, USN

20-24 Steaming as before. 2130 c/s to 14 knots. 2130 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to keep station on the starboard quarter of the Russian submarine (SSN-45). Range 3000 - 3500 yards. Base course OS5 T, base speed 10 knots.

M. A. MAYO
LGCG, USN

APPROVED:
C. C. DUKE, CDR
U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING

R. A. DEFELICE, LCDR
U.S. NAVY
NAVAL OFFICER

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EXAMINED:

00-04 Steaming independently off the east coast of the United States as a unit of ASWFORLANT in accordance with COMASWORLANT message 052212 of October 1962. Base course 037°T, base speed 8 knots, while tracking and keeping station on a surfaced Russian submarine (Fennant # 94) Submarine bears 000°T, range 2000-2500 yards. A Russian ATR(PANIR) is accompanying the Russian submarine. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station and to remain at least 1500 yards from the ATR. Condition of readiness III and material condition SABRA (modified) are set. 0100 set course 110°T, speed 15 knots en route to San Miguel, Azores in accordance with COMASWORLANT message 1101222 of November 1962. 0200 set all clocks ahead one hour to conform with OSCAR (+2) time. 0117 c/o to 132°T, s/a to 27°T. 0120 set condition of readiness IV throughout the ship.

F. G. SAWDEY
LTG, USN

04-08 Steaming as before.

A. A. MAYO
LTG, USN

08-12 Steaming as before. 0800 mustered the crew on stations. Absentees: None. 1000 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

J. W. ROOD
LTG, USN

12-16 Steaming as before.

R. L. ROOKE
LTG, USN

16-20 Steaming as before.

F. G. SAWDEY
LTG, USN

20-24 Steaming as before.

J. W. WICKENDEN III
ENS, USNR

APPROVED

C. C. BUSSEK, CDR
U. S. N.
COMMANDING

EXAMINED

E. T. DEPILIO, CDR
U. S. N.
NAVIGATOR

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