NAVAL MESSAGE

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

PRECEDENCE: OP IMMEDIATE
ACTION: INFO
RELEASED BY:
DRAFTED BY:
EXT. NO.

083010Z
FM USS KEPPLER
TO COMNAV
INFO SECNAV
CNO
CINCLANTFLT

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SITREP 8, 083010Z

1. C-18 POSIT 39-36N 44-09W ON CRS 060 SPD 6 CONTINUING ON AT LEAST 2 DIESEL ENGINES, HYDROPHONE SOUND OF DIESEL ENGINES AND VISUAL APPEARANCE OF BOTH EXHAUST EXCELLENT.

2. AT TIME 1640Z TO 1700Z DIVE UND SILENT EXCEPT FOR STEERAGEWAY PROBABLY ON LOW BATTERIES.

3. ARGUS 29 DEPARTED 1617Z AFTER NUMEROUS DECK LEVEL OVERPASSES, NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED UNTIL AFTER DEPARTURE WHEN A NEW WHIP ANTENNA WAS RIGGED.

4. ESTIMATING MAJOR PRESENT DIFFICULTY IN FUEL STORAGE AND MECHANICAL DIFFICULTY IN SEPARATING FUEL FROM WATER FOR DIESEL ENGINES. C-18 AND KEPPLER EXPERIENCING HEAVY ROLLING, AND PITCHING.

5. NEW SUBJECT: YOUR 081056Z NOTAL. UNABLE TO WORK THROUGH BERMUDA USING LANTFLT ASY (CQ) NET 4313 KC AND 8494 KC. HOWEVER, EXPECT TO SUCCEED TONIGHT.

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