JAPANESE SUBMARINE SINKINGS DURING WWII

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29 November 1945

NEMORANDUM

From: OP-23-W2

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Subject: Japanese Submarine Sinkings during World War II.

Reference: OP-32P's Memo of 27 November 1945.

Enclosure: (A) A Comparative Table of Japanese Submarine Sinkings during World War II.

1. Enclosure (A) compares the data on this subject maintained by OP-23-F-15 (J-I Table), OP-20-3-GIP, and F-22 together with information from official Japanese Sources obtained after 14 August 1945. This list does not include submarines which were decommissioned.

2. The asterisks indicate the information regarded as most probable as of this date. Obviously, the specific agent in any particular case will depend on this occasionally arbitrary selection, and the selection has sometimes been made to favor a particular claim which seemed more strongly based than others. All information available here has been used in these selections, but it must be realized that the information in many cases is scanty and that further reprocessing and re-evaluation would produce no more.

3. Total Japanese Submarines sunk during World War II were 131, of which 100 were sunk by Allied action including mines and 3 were sunk by miscellaneous causes (grounding, collision, operational accident), and 28 by unknown causes. These totals also depend on the choice made between the various claims or possibilities.

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91.4. e.)	(-1 ⁵¹	Mar!43 Solomons	Guadalcanal	29 Jan'43 n. of Kamimbo Y(off Cape Esperance)(PT Boats	29 Jan'43 off Guadalcanal (PT Boats)-)	
4.5.2. 148 A	1-2	Apr 144 New Ireland	7 Apr'44, E. off Admiralty Is.	Prior 10 June '44` ?	7 Apr 144, E.* Admiralty 15(DD) USS SAUFLEY)	
Wind BILLING	I-3	Dec'42 New Ireland	9 Dec!42 off Guadalcanal	9 Dec 142 (PT Boats off KAMIMBO, Guadal) 9 Dec'42, off Guadal. .(PT Boats).	
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1、1、4,5,5,5,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,	I-5	Jul'44 Truk Area	NW Bismarck I.	22 Jun '44 15-50N,147-08E. USS NEWCORB & CHANDLER	10 Jun 144 (US DD) NW of Bismarck I.	
11, 4번 가지 정말	1-6 V	Jun '44 Central Pac- ific.	4 Jul '44 E. of Saipan	14 Jul:44 15-18N,144-26E. USS WG MILLER	4 Jul:44 E. of Saipan (USS TAYLOR & RIDDLE)	•
14	I-7V	May'43 Aleutians	22 Jun'43 off Kiska,Aleutians	21 Jun'43 Twin Rocks,Kiska (USS MONAGHAN	22 Jun'43 off Kiska. (DD)	
12°	⊥-8 ✓ -	Apr'45 Kurile	3 l Mar!45 SW of Okinawa	31 Mar 45 25-29N,128-35E X USS MORRISON & STOCKTON	31 Mar 45 SW of Okinawa, (DDs)	· ·
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	a −10 √	May 144 Saipan	18 Jul '44 300 Mi. No. Truk	4 Jul:44 15-26N,147-48E V USS TAYLOR & RIDDLE	18 Jul!44 N. of Truk (USS WYMAN)	* *
	1-11 V	Feb 144 Samao	17 Feb 144 E. of Marshall I.	Deleted 30 Apr 44	17 Feb144 E. of K Marshall I. (USS NICHOLS)	
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1-13	Jul:45 Mid- Pacific	n si	16 Jul 145 [\] (A/C) 34-20N,151-12E	16 Jul'45 (A/C) E. of Honshu
1-15	Oct 142 Solomons	Oct/Nov'42 So.Pacific	Prior 19 Dec'42	Oct/Nov '42 [×] So. Pacific
1-16	Aug'44 Buin	19 May'44 NE Solomon Is.	19 May 44,05-105, 158-17E (USS ENGLAND)	19 May'44 NE of Solomons Is. (DE)
	Oct:43 Espiritu Santo	19 Aug 43 off New Caledonia	19 Aug 43 \off New Caledonia(Aux Sea Forces)	19 Aug'43 Off New Caledonia(Surf-A/C)
I-18	Feb'43 Solomon	25 Dec'42 Off Kumusį r. New Guinea	Deleted 25 Mar'43	25 Dec:42 off Kumusi R. New Guinea(USS PT-122)
I-19\	April 144 Gilbert	26 Nov '43 W. of Makin Is.	30 Apr 144 Deleted	26 Nov143 W. of Makin Is. (USS RADFORD)
I-20 ⁴	Oct'43 Espiritu Santo	l Oct 143 N. of Kolombangara	Deleted 1 Dec'43	l Oct '43 N. of Kolombangara Is. (USS EATONI)
1-21	Apr '44 Gilbert	5 Feb:44 So. Marshall Is.		5 Feb!44, S. Marshalls (USS CHARRETTE & FAIR)
1 . 22	Oct:42 Solomons	10 Nov'42 off San Cristobal Is	2002- Sunk 20075 Nov!42 Solomons *	19 Nov '42 off San Cristobal Is. (DD)
I - 23	Mar'42 Hawaii	26 Apr'42 off Johnston Is.	24 Feb!42(Approx) Hawaiian area∤	26 Apr'42 off San Cristobal Is. (USS TAUTOG)
I - 24	May 143 Aleutians	27 Jul:43 SW New Hanover	l2 Jul'43 Blanche Channel ‡ TAYLOR	27 Jul 43 SW of New Hanover (USS SCAMP
I - 25	Oct:43 Samoa	Oct/Nov'43 Cent.Pacific	Deleted 1 Dec '43	Oct/Nov '43 (Central Pacific
1-26	Nov'44 E. of Philippines	25 Oct:44 Leyete Gulf	8 Nov'44,10Feb'45 bet.Philippines & Yokosuka	25 Oct'44 Vin Leyete Gulf(USS ROWELL)
I-27	May '44 Penang	12 Feb:44 SW Maldive Is.	Sunk May '44 \ Indian Ocean	12 Feb:44 SW Maldive Is. (HMS PALADIN & PETARD)
[-28	Mar 42 Solomons	17 May'42 So. of Truk	17 May 142 06-30N, 152-00E. (TAUTOG)	17 May 142 S. of Truk. (USS TAUTOG)

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			26 Jul!44 Str. of Luzon	26 Jul!44∀20-07N, 121-39E(USS SAWFISH)	26 Jul'44 in Luzon Str. (Sub)	
1.00				Sep/Oct:42 😾 Singapore (Mine)	May/Jun:42 W.Pacific	
· 2111 ·		May ' 43 Kiska		13 Jun'43 🛠 52-38N,177-36E USS FRAZIER	31 Jun'43 N. of Kiska	
The Part of			24 Mar 144 E. of A Marshall Is.	Prior 10 Jun:44	24 Mar '44 E. of Marshall Is. (Sur- face Forces)	
\$ 2.50		Jun'44 Indian Oc.	May/Jun:42 W.Pacific	26 May'44-10 Jul'44 Cen.Pacific Area(?)	May/Jun:42/W.Pacific (Accident)	
in the start of	I-34 V	Oct:43 Solomons	l3 Nov'43 Str.Malacca	13 Nov:43 % Malay area. (TAURUS)	13 Nov'43 in Malacca Str. (HMS TAURUS)	
7. 		Mar'44 Gilbert	23 Nov'43 off Tarawa Atoll	23 Nov 43 mear Tarawa (USS FRAZIER & MEADE)	23 Nov'43 off TARAWA (DDs)	
		Dec'44 Palao	18 Nov'44 300 Hi. E. of Samar	17 Oct:44-10 Feb:45 Empire Area(?)	18 Nov:44 E. of Samar(Surface Aux)	
	1-38	Dec'44 E.of Philippine	13 Nov!44 1200 mi. NE of OAHU	l7 Oct:44-10 Feb:45 Empire Area(?) ·	13 Nov 44 NE of Oahu (Surface Forces)	-
	I - 39∛	Mar:44 S Gilbert	24 Dec!43 off Koli Pt. Guadal.	Deleted 30 Apr :44	24 Dec '43 off Guadalcanal.(GRISMOLD)	and the second
	I-40V	Mar'44 ¥ Gilbert	Mar/Apr:44 Cent. Pacific	Deleted 30 Apr:44	Mar/Apr:44 in Cent. Pacific	
	1-41 (Dec'44 E.of Philippines	16 Sep'44 E. of Honshu	10 Oct!44-10 Feb!45 Yokosuka (?)\	l6 Sep'44 E. of Honshu (Sub)	
	I-42	Mar'44 Gilbert	23 Mar!44 SW of Palau	23 Mar'44 06-44 N, 134-01E(USS TUNNEY)		
	I-43∛	Mar'44 Gilbert	15 Feb!44 IW of Truk	15 Feb!44 NW of ∛ Truk(USS ASPRO)	15 Feb:44 IW of Truk (Sub)(ASPRO)	19.9
	I-44M	ay 144 SW Islands	18 Apr:45 E. of Okinawa	4 Apr'-4 May'45 Okinawa Arca	18 Apr:45 E. of Okinawa (Surface Forces)	
	√ 1-45 ¥	Dec'44 E.of Philippines		 8 Nov!44-10 Feb!45 bet. Philippines & Yokosuka 		
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	Sept'43 N. Sealand	3 Sep!43 off New Hebrides	Deleted 15 0		3 Sep'43Yoff New Hebrides (DD)	L.227
	Apr'44 Operational Truk	- 4 Apr'44 at Truk	Deleted 10 Ju Truk (?)	un'44	4 Apr 144-at Truk	4
I-171	Mar!44 Gilbert	l Feb'44 W. of Buka	l Eeb!44 05- 154-15E(USS		l Feb!44 at Truk	
	Oct'42 Solomons VJun'44 E. Carolines	oct/Nov'42 So. Pacific 12 Apr'44 No. of Truk	Reported sun 26 Dec!42 Deleted 10 J	k un!44	Oct/Nov'42 So.* Pacific 12 Apr'44 S. of Truk (DDs)	2
I -1 75	Jun'44 Cen. Pacific	30 Apr '44 So. of Truk	29 Apr'44? E	mpire -	30 Apr'44 ⁴ S. of Truk (DDs)	
I - 176	Jun:44 Buka Area	17 May'44 NE of Buka	15 May'44 12 NE Buka Pass		17 May'44XNE of Buka (DDs)	a
	Nov'44 Palao Area	Not listed	10 Oct-10 Fe	b145	Nov1444So. Pacific	
I - 178	ⁿ ug:43 Solomons	June 43 Cent. Pacific	2 Jun 43 out So. Channel,		June 143 Cent.Pacifi	.c
1-179	Feb!44 Marshall	Feb'44 So.Pacific	Dcleted-Secr Order #548-1			
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GI-P Name Japs J-I Table 26 Apr 44 (DD) 129 Apr 144 USS I-180 V May 144 - SE of 26 Apr 144 off off Kodiak Alaska GILMORE Kodiak Alaska Kodiak 55-10 N., 155-10 E 19 Jan 44 A/C 16 Jan 44 (A/C) I-181 Mar '44 Gilbert 16 Jan. 44 St George off St George 02-13 S. 188-46 E Channel Bismarck Channel I-182 VOct 143 Solomons 9 Sept 43 (Sub) 9 Sept '43 Surigao St Deleted Surigao Strait 1 Dec 43 P.I. I-183 Jun 144 Central 29 Apr 144 (Sub) 28 Apr 145 USS 29 Apr 144 off Bungo off Bungo Channel Pacific Suido POGY 32-07 N, 133-03 E 21 June 144 (Fleet I-184 V Jun 144 Saipan 21 June '44 E of 26 Jun-10 July 44 Units) E of Saipan Task Force? Area Saipan Palau Area (?) I-185 Jun 144 Saipan 26 Jun-10 July 44 17 Jun 44 (DDS) 17 Jun 144 NW of Guam NW of Guam . Area Palau Area (?) Jun 45 China Sea 15 July 45 Blue- 15 July 45 (sub) I-351 Not listed fish off NWBorneo NW of Borneo (approx 05-30 N 109 E) I-361 Apr '45 Kurile 25 Jun 145 between 30 May 145 not listed SE Okinawa Area & Japanese Waters Yokosuka I-362 Feb 45 Mereyon 27 Oct 44-10 Mar 27 Nov 144(DDS) 27 Nov 144 Camotes Sea '45 vic. 30-45 N Camotes Sea K 149-25 E. Oct 144 Inner So. not listed not listed I-364 Oct 144 So. Pacific Seas I-365 Dec 144 Truk 29 Nov 144 29 Nov 144 1 29 Nov 44 (Sub) SE Tokyo Bay SCABBARDFISH SE Tokyo Bay 34-44 N, 140-01 E I-368 Feb 145 Bonin Is not listed 25 Feb 145 (?) (DE) 26 Feb 145 (DE Iwojima Area S of Iwojima (25-04 N, 140-28E) I-370 VFeb '45 Bonin Is 26 Feb '45 NW Iwo 26 Feb 45 Iwojima 26 Feb 45 (I/C) Area (25-12 N, 4 NW of Iwojima Jima 140-15 E) A/C Jan 145 Truk Area Jan 145 Truk Area 10 Oct 44-10 Mar not listed '45 Sasebo Area(?)

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Name	Jap	J-I Table	OP-20-3-GIP(former)	G-22
R0-45	May '44 SE of Kodiak	20 Apr. 144 W of Saipan	After 30 Apr 144 Mandates (?)	20 Apr 44 6USS SEA HORSE) W of Saipan
	Isles	n9 Apr '45 USS MONSSEN 'SE of Okinawa	6 Apr-4 May ¹ 45 vic. Amami Oshima '	9 Apr 145 (DDS) SE Okinawa
		23 Mar '45 Philippine Sea	21 Mar-4 May'45 Okinawa Area	23 Mar: 45 (USS MONSSEN & MERTZ) Philippine Sea
R0-48	Jul'44 E of Saipan	14 July 44 W of Saipan	18 July 1944 (?) 13-01 N, 151-58E(?)	14 July '44 (USS MILLER & GILMER W. of Saipan
R0-49 V	May '45 Kurile Area	24 Feb 145 off Bungo Suido	sunk or scrapped prior 15 Aug!44	24 Feb'45) (USS LAGARTO) off Bungo Channel
R0-55	Jan '45 Philippine Area	not listed	15 Feb'45 20-37N 127-33E ARCHER FISH	14 Feb '45 ARCHER FISH NE Luzon

OP-20-3-GIP(Former) F-22 J-I Table lame Japs 10 Oct'44-25 May(45) May'45 in Kuriles Not listed 20-56 May 145 Kurile Arca Maizuru? 10-60 Dec'41 Grd'g 29 Dec'41 29 Dec'41 Kwajalein Sunk prior to 15 (Grounding) 汴 Jan!42 Marshall Kwajalein Atoll 31 Aug 42-off Nazan 31 Aug 42 Aleutians Ro-61 31 Aug 42 Mazan Bay 52-34N,173-57W Bay, Aleutians May 45 Hiroshima Bay 22 Dec!44-1 Aug!45 RO-64 May 45 Mine Not listed Empire? Mine Hiroshima Bay 28 Sep:42 Kiska (A/C) Nov 42 off Kiska R0-65 May 143 3 45 28 Sep!42 Kiska . Kiska Harbor Ro-66 Dec'41 17 Dec 41/W. of Wake 17 Dec'41 W. of Prior 15 Jan'42 Is. (collision) Wake Is. Wake 4 Apr :45 256-1000 Sunk 4 Apr:45 Inland Ro-675 meters from KAbeshima Sea Decommissioned Sept'45. Mine. Line Off Bougainville 25 Nov'43 Oema Is. _25 Nov'43 off Ro-1000ct '43 Bougainville (FLT unit) FLT units Solomon 25 Nov'43 Ro-101 Oct 143 ★1 Jul:43 E. of --Deleted 1 Dec'43 1 Jul! 43 E. of Rendova(USS RADFORD) Solomon Rendova I. Sol. 0-102 V May 143 New #4 Apr:43 S. of Santa 4 Apr 43 SE Area? (Apr 43) Isabel I. (USS BANNON) Ireland S. Santa Isabel I. Ro-103 Oct 45 New ¥29 May!43 Sr-ef off 29 May 143 New (April?) !43 Solomons? New Hebrides Ireland Hebrides 23 May 144 No. of 25 May 144 (ENGLAND) Ro-104 May 144 23 May'44 (DD) N. of Palao Bismarck Is. 01-27 N,149-33E Bismarck Is. 31 May 44 (ENGLAND) 31 May 44 (ENGLAND) R0-105 May : 44 31 May 44 No. of 00-54 N, 150-36 E Ps/lao Bismarck Is. N. of BISMARCK Is. R0-106 May 144 22 May 44 No.of 22 May 444 (ENGLAND) 22 May 44 (DE) Trulc Bismarck Is. 01-41N, 150-27E N of Bismarck Is. 10-107 Jul 143 May/June '43 So (May 1943?) May/June 1434So New Ireland Pacific Solomons? Pacific R0-108 May 144 26 May 144 (ENGLAND) 26 May 144 (ENGLAND) 26 May 144 No. Truk of Bismarkk Is. 00-36 S, 148-24 E N. of Bismarck Is.

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RO-109 May 145 SW Isles	29 Apr'45 SE of Okinawa	18 Apr '45 vic. 29 Apr '45 (Subforce 26-10 N, 130-40 E Craft) SE of Okinawa
RO-110 Jun:44 So. of Truk	ll Feb:44 off Vizagapatam Indi	12 Feb:44 ⁴ (PALADIN 11 Feb :44 (sloops) a&PETARD) 00-57N, off Vizagapatam
	l6 June 144 off Truk	72-16 E. 14 June-10July '44 [#] 16 June '44 A/C No. of Truk off Truk
RO-112 Feb'45 Badalinao Area	ll Feb 145 No. of Luzon	ll Feb. 145(BATFISH)ll Feb 145 (sub) 18-54 N, 121-45 E N. of Luzon
RO-113 Feb 45 Badalinao Area	13 Feb 145 No. of Luzon	13 Feb'45 ^X BATFISH) 13 Feb '45 (sub) near 19 N, 12-23 E N of Luzon
RO-114 Jun'44 Saipan	16 June 144 West of Guam	14 Jun-10 July'44 X16 June'44 (USS Marianas Area SULLIVANS & MILLER) W. of Guam
RO-115 Jan:45 Philippine Area	10 Feb '45 No of Luzon	about 1 Feb 145 10 Feb 145 (USS BAT- off W Coast Luzon FISH) N. of Luzon
RO-116 May 44 Palao	24 May 144 No. of Bismarck	24 May '44" ENGLAND 24 May '44 (DE) - LOO-44 N, 149-22 E. N of Bismarck Is.
RO-117 Jun 144 Truk	17 June 144 NNW of Truk	14 Jun-10 July '44 /17 June '44 A/C No. of Truk NW of Truk
RO-501 Har :44 Atlantic A	13 May 144 Atlantic Ocean	ll May '44? ROBINSON Atlantic Ocean

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Personal for Captain H.R.M.Laird, O.B.E..R.N.

and the second TO: C.O.I.S..B.A.D. Washington, D.C., via G.C. & C.S.

From: D.N.I. Admiralty, London, S.W.1.

FINAL DISPOSITION OF JAPANESE FLEET UNITS.

Admiralty Message 122109 refers to the examination in Washington of all records of attacks against Japanese U/boats. In view of this investigation it is considered desirable to clarify certain points arising out of the list prepared by F.22 of the Navy Department, which was forwarded under cover of your reference sheet Not 1-4-3 of 28th September 1945. 医筋骨炎 的复数 医额门后端 "这一一,这些你们不能把这些接近的是我的人们也能出了这些人,我们还是我的我的我们不是不必能不能不能不能 . . .

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Comparison of the F.22 list with the Admiralty list of final dispositions, which was based on the most recent information available in N.I.D., reveals a certain number of discrepancies, particularly in the case of submarines. It would be appreciated if F.22 could give their views on those cases in which the two lists are at variance. They are compared in Table A attached.

There are other cases (set forth in Table B, attached) in which N.I.D. has been able to make only a tentative disposition . from available intelligence, whereas F.22 has evidently more detailed information. N.I.D. would therefore be glad to know on what sources of intelligence F.22 has based these dispositions,

(Signed) Anthony Thorne

Lieut. R.N.V.R.

It is noted that the F.22 list is not for publication unless or until announced in the United States, and it would be appreciated if N.I.D. could be informed as soon as corrections based on this list may be made to C.B. 1815.

- Lieut. R.N.V.R.

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TABLE A

FINAL DISPOSITION OF JAPANESE SUBMARINES.

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N.I.D. List

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I.9	Sunk 10.6.43 N.E. of ATTU by U.S. patrol craft	Sunk 14.6.43 off KISKA by U.S.S. FRAZIER
	Sunk Oct/Nov. 42 in S.Pacific	In JAPAN
	Sunk 25:12.42 off KUMUSI river (NEW CALEDONIA) by U.S. PT boat	Sunk 11:2:43 in 14 deg:2418, 161 deg. 59'E by U.S.S. FLETCHER and A/C.
	Sunk May/June 1942 in W.Pacific	Sunk 13.10.42 at SINGAPORE by min
	U.S. destroyer.	
- I.49	In JAPAN	Sunk after 24.10.44
1.57	Not mentioned.	Sunk? last half of 1944
I.165	Decommissioned Sept. 45. In JAPAN	Sunk 27.6.45 in 15 deg. 28'h 153 deg. 03'E by U.S. A/C from TINIAN.
	Sunk 30.4.44 S. of TRUK by U.S. Destroyers.	Sunk Feb.'44 in ? MARSHALLS
-I.352	Not mentioned	In JAPAN
R0.35	Sunk Oct. '43 in SOLOMONS	Sunk June '42 at TRUK by collision
R0.38	Sunk Feb/March'44 in C.Pacific	Sunk 19.11.43 - 19.12.43 in GILBERTS area.
R0.45	Sunk 20.5.44 W of SAIPAN by U.S. S/M	Sunk 1.5.44 in O6 deg. 13'N, 151 deg. 19'E by U.S.S. MACDONOUG
R0.100	Sunk 25.11.43 off BOUGAINVILLE Is. by U.S. fleet units.	Sunk 25.11.43 off SHORTLAND Is. by mine.
HA.110	Not mentioned.	JAPAN
HA,113	Not mentioned	SASEBO 12/7
HA.229	Not mentioned	SASEBO 27/7

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TABLE B

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Sunk 17.2.44 E. of MARSHALL Is. bu U.S. destroyer

Sunk May'45 in S.Pacific

1.20 Sunk 1.10.43 N. of KOLOMBANGARA by U.S. destroyer.

1.22 Sunk 19.11.42 off SAN CRISTOBAL Is: by U.S. destroyer escorts.

I.24 Sunk 27.7.43 S.W. of NEW HANOVER BY U.S. S/M.

I.25 Sunk Oct/Nov '43 in C.PACIFIC

I.44 Sunk 18.4.45 E of OKINAWA by U.S. destroyer

I.177 Sunk Nov. 144 in S.PACIFIC

R0.30 Sunk April 142in W.PACIF C R0.32 Sunk April 142 in W.PACIFIC

R0.43 Sunk 14.2.45 N.E. of LUZON by U.S. S/M

R0.49 Sunk 24.2.45 off BUNGO CHANNEL ny U.S. S/M

RO.102 Sunk 4.4.43 S. of SANTA ISABEL Is. by U.S. destroyers. Sunk after 21.12.43 in S.W.Pacific means unknown.

Sunk after 25.5.44

Sunk June 143 or after

Sunk ? 29.8.42 on ?09 deg.21'S 160 deg. 43'E by ?U.S.S.GAMBLE Sunk ? 28.5.43 in ? 15 deg.35'S

167 deg.17'E by ? U.S. S/C.669 Sunk ? 27.7.43 in ? 02 deg. 50'S 149 deg E by ? U.S. S/M SCAMP

Sunk ? 10.4.45 in ? 23 deg 12 N 132 deg 23 E by ? U.S.S. FIEBERLING and BARR

Possibly sunk, if not, JAPAN

No information

No information

Sunk ? about 26.2.45 ? off IWOJIMA

Sunk ? 31.3.45 at ? LEYTE - OKINAWA ? by U.S.S. BARTON

Sunk ? 26.4.43 at ? LAE ? by A/C.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

25 October 1945.

WASHINGTON

MEMCRANDUM FOR CAPTAIN H.R.M. LAIRD, O.B.E..R.N.:

Subject: DHI Admiralty Message (undated).

1. Subject message signed by Lieutenant Thorpe, RNVR for DNI refers to a list prepared by this section (formerly F-22) containing the final disposition of Japanese Fleet units. The message requests clarification of certain submarine dispositions which are at variance with the Admiralty list.

2. It should be pointed out that the F-22 list is only tentative, and that final assessment of all attacks against Japanese submarines is to be made following an examination in Washington of all records of attacks against Japanese submarines.

3. In the compilation of the F-22 list, Japanese submarine losses, where known or indicated, were listed and corresponding attacks matched up. Several instances occurred in which more than one submarine was sunk in the same area within a relatively short time, viz., I-9 and I-31 in Table A. Without complete logs, operation orders, or documentary proof as to the exact time and position of the loss, the best that could be done in these instances was to allocate each loss to the individual attack without too much regard to the identity of the submarine. Several instances were noted where the date of loss as reported by the Japanese was subsequent to the date of loss as established by ULTRA information, suggesting that the Japanese considered the submarine lost as of the date it was reported overdue. Other instances indicate discrepancies in the list of losses reported by the Japanese. Where considerable variance is indicated, additional information has been requested from Tokyo.

4. Table A and Table B of subject message list those submarines for which F-22 and Admiralty records are at variance. In general, F-22 files contain little information of specific value, but that which is available is included for information. It is noted that in several cases available information supports the Admiralty allocation.

TABLE A

I-31

1-15

Both sunk in Aleutians - within few days of each other. From information at hand, it is impossible to determine whether I-9 was lost prior to I-31.

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Japanese reported sunk in October 1942 in Solomons.

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No firm information in F-22. Japanese report that I-18 was lost in February 1943 tends to substantiate NID 18 allocation.

- I-30 Japanese report says struck mine at Singapore in February 1944. Deleted from Navy Register in April 1944. Have requested additional information from Tokyo.
 - I-49 No evidence that such a submarine was ever in commission.
 - No evidence that such a submarine was ever in commission.

I-165 Concur with NID 18.

I-175 Information available tends to substantiate NID 18 allocation.

I-352 No evidence of the existence of such a submarine.

- RO-35 Japanese report sunk October 1943 in Solomons. Suspect Japanese may have had two submarines under this name. Japanese report commissioning date for RO-35 as March 25, 1943. Have requested additional data from the Japanese.
- RO-38 Japanese report sunk in Gilberts area March 1944. RO-38 deleted from Navy List as of 30/4/44. According to F-22 records, she was last reported on 2 December 1943, scouting in Gilberts.
- RO-45 F-22 has no specific information other than submarine was probably lost during the period 13 April - 26 April 1944.
- RO-100 Available ULTRA material indicates 25 November 1943 as date lost, but no specific information as to cause.
- HA-110) There is no firm evidence that these submarines were over in
 HA-113) commission. There is some evidence of the HA-110 undergoing
 HA-229) pre-commissioning trials in July 1945, but existence of other
 two is extremely doubtful.

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I-11	Japanese report sunk in February 1944 in Samoa area. Deleted 30/4/44. Last noted arriving Truk on 12 December 1943.
1–12	Japanese report sunk in May 1945 in Fiji area. A captured document dated 10 Cctober 1944 indicates I-12 was scheduled to undergo installation of some type of gear at Yokosuka.
I-20	Japanese report sunk in October 1943 in vicinity of Espiritu Santo. Deleted from Navy List 1 December 1943. Last noted 25 September 1943.
1-22 1-24	Japanese report sunk in October 1942 in Solomons. Japanese report sunk in Aleutians in May 1943. POW reported hoaring I-24 possibly sunk in Aleutians.
I-2 5	No specific information in F-22. Japanese report lost in October 1943 in Samoa area.
İ -44	Available information indicates this submarine was sunk during the period 4-21 April 1945. It is quite possible that she was sunk prior to 18 April 1945.
I -1.77	Japanese report sunk during November 1944 in Palau area. Deleted from Submarine Register on 10 March 1945.
RO-30) RO-32)	There is some question us to the existence of these submarines. The Japanese do not list them on either list of commissionings or losses. Further information has been requested from Tokyc.
R0-43	Japanese report sunk during February 1945 in Sulphur Island area. No specific information in F-22 as to cause of loss but probable date of loss is concurred in.
R0-49	Last noted on 12 January 1945 when ordered to patrol area west of Luzon, north of 15° N. Japanese report lost in May 1945 in Kuriles. Have requested further data from Tokyo as loss as re- ported by Japanese appears questionable in view of deletion
• • •	from SS Organization on 25 May 1945.

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