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TUESDAY 17 OCTOBER 1961
(Day) (Date) (Month)

RANDOLPH (CVS-15)

04 - 04 Steaming in the Western Atlantic in vicinity Point Luke as ready ASW group in accordance with
ALFA Op-Order 10-61 in company with USS BLANDY (DD-943) and USS STORMES (DD-780). Destroyers
formed in a bentline screen 3C2. Formation is operating within close vicinity of SS ATLANTIC
in order to render assistance as necessary. OTC is CTU 81.8.1 in RANDOLPH. SOPA is
in use. The ship is lighted showing normal navigational lights. 0038 c/c to 030. 0133 c/c to
0200 c/c to 270. 0301 c/c to 205. 0319 c/c to 180. 0336 c/c to 200. 0353 c/c to 260. c/s
to 10 kts. 0400 Properly relieved by ENS GRAY.

B. S. Dunbar
B. S. DUNBAR
ENS, USN

05 - 08 Steaming as before. 0515 Detached USS BLANDY (DD-943) and USS STORMES (DD-780) to proceed
on duty assigned. 0521 c/c to 030, c/s to 20 kts. 0528 Turned on A/C warning lights. 0536 Launched
(2) HSS and (1) TF. 0537 c/c to 320, c/s to 26 kts. 0542 c/c to 310. Commenced SQS-23 sonar
evaluation test II, run 5. 0557 Observed sunrise; turned off all lights. 0608 c/c to 030 to avoid
torpedo on test run. Observed torpedo surface and stop off the port quarter. 0610 Completed
test II, run 5. Launched (1) HUP to effect transfer of torpedo recovery gear from USS CONWAY (DDE-507)
0614 c/c to 150, c/s to 15 kts. 0620 c/c to 135. 0628 Commenced SQS-23 sonar evaluation test II, run
6. 0630 Recovered (1) HUP. 0715 Completed test II, run 6. c/c to 310. 0730 Launched (2) HSS, re-
covered (2) HSS. 0736 c/c to 300. 0740 Properly relieved by LT SCOTT.

P. H. Gray
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ENS, USN

08 - 12 Steaming as before. 0745 Mustered the crew on stations. Absentees: NELSON, S. R.,
12 85, AOAR, USN, UA since 1300 22 September 1961; LUTZ, H. H., 544 62 78, FN, USN, UA since
0730 2 October 1961; KROLL, R., 543 69 76, FN, USN, UA since 0730 2 October 1961; KREAMER, R. R.,
535 64 88, AN, USN, UA since 0730 4 October 1961; GARDNER, J. C., 524 45 05, AN, USN, UA since 0730
5 October 1961; SHANAHAN, M. J., 548 54 11, HR, USN, UA since 0730 6 October 1961; VANETTE, F. D.,
321 22 76, BTFN, USN, UA since 0730 9 October 1961; EUSTLER, H. P., 302 61 08, MM1, USN, UA since
0800 12 October 1961. 0800 Set material condition YOKE modified. 0825 Finex run #7 test 2. 0827
c/c to 100. 0831 Comex run #8, test 2, SQS-23 sonar evaluation. 1913 c/c to 040, c/s to 26 kts.
0918 c/c to 120. 0923 Finex run #8, test 2. 0924 Recovered (1) HSS. 0926 c/c to 135. 0929
Launched (3) HSS. 0930 c/s to 15 kts. c/c to 290. 0942 Comex run #8A, test 2, SQS-23 sonar eval-
uation. 0945 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.
0954 Recovered (1) HSS. 1000 Passed word to have quarterdeck highline manned. 1010 Finex run #8A,
test 2. 1011 c/s to 12 kts. c/c to 000. 1024 Launched (1) HSS. 1028 USS BLANDY (DD-943) making
approach to starboard for highline transfer. 1047 Commenced transfer. 1058 Transfer completed,
having received from BLANDY one patient for medical treatment, one other person, and mail and mis-
cellaneous items. 1100 All lines clear. BLANDY cleared ahead to starboard. Secured the quarter-
deck highline detail. 1102 c/c to 150. 1107 c/s to 15 kts. 1108 c/c to 160. Comex run #9, test
2, SQS-23 sonar evaluation. 1138 Finex run #9, test 2. 1140 c/c to 050. 1143 Launched (3) HSS and
(1) HUP. 1144 Recovered (1) COD VRC-40. 1145 Recovered (2) HSS and (1) HUP. 1146 c/s to 25 kts. 1148
c/c to 070. 1151 c/c to 145. 1153 c/s to 15 kts. 1154 c/s to 12 kts. 1155 Comex run #10, test 2,
SQS-23 sonar evaluation. 1158 c/c to 145. 1202 Properly relieved by LT HOSKINS.

L. G. Scott
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LT, USN

12 - 16 Steaming as before. 1202 OOD has the conn. Commenced maneuvering on various courses while
launching and recovering A/C and conducting SQS-23 sonar evaluation test 2. 1226 Finex run #10. 1232
c/c to 090. 1245 c/c to 340. c/c to 330. 1307 c/s to 20 kts. 1317 c/s to 12 kts. 1330 Launched
(2) HSS. 1355 Finex run #11. 1350 Recovered (2) HSS. 1357 c/c to 150. 1400 c/c to 140. 1501
Finex run; #12 SQS-23 sonar evaluation test 2 completed. 1502 c/c to 040. 1506 c/s to 15 kts. 1507
c/c to 065. 1508 Launched (1) TF. 1509 Manned fueling stations 1 and 3. 1510 Formed fueling dispo-
sition, c/c to 075, c/s to 12 kts. USS CONWAY (DD-507) in standby station astern. 1519 Manned
quarterdeck highline. 1525 Starboard steering unit lighted off. 1534 Launched (1) HSS. 1535
CONWAY commenced approach to starboard. 1536 Properly relieved by LT WRIGHT.

B. J. Hoskins
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LT, USN

16 - 18 Steaming as before. 1540 USS LAFFEY (DD-724) and USS LOWRY (DD-770) joined this unit and
book stations astern. 1542 First line over to CONWAY. 1624 Ceased pumping. Transferred 72,141 gals.
to CONWAY. 1629 All lines clear; CONWAY clearing to starboard. 1630 Turned formation to 350.
LOWRY commencing approach. 1642 First line over. 1649 Commenced pumping. 1715 Observed sun-
set; turned on navigation lights. 1723 Ceased pumping, transferred 76,921 gallons NSFO to LOWRY.
1725 Darken ship. 1728 All lines clear; LOWRY clearing to starboard. 1731 Turned formation to 090.
c/s to 15 kts. Stationed LOWRY in plane guard station 2. Stationed LAFFEY in plane guard station
1A. USS JOHN WILLIS (DE-1027) joined this unit for fueling. 1736 Recovered (1) TF. 1736 Turned

EXAMINED:

R. E. Cook
R. E. COOK, CAPTAIN

U. S. N. COMMANDING.

C. R. Largess, Jr.
C. R. LARGESS, Jr., CDR

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR.