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Miss Earhart's flight
and search

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TWELFTH NAVAL DISTRICT

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No. A21 (1)

Date Received 7-14-37

From: H. D. Barr

Dated 7-13-37

SUBJECT: Miss Barratt's Flight

INCLOSURE: _____

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01	Ch. of Staff.....			Prepare (Indorsement
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14	Port Director N.T.S.....			Confer with Comdt.
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65	Morale.....			a ACTION
67	Hdqtr. Personnel.....			r RECOMMENDATION
69	Chaplain.....			v INFORMATION
70	Insp. Naval Material.....			
75	Medical.....			ALL OFFICERS
80	Public Works.....			CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

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F.O. Barr
258-W-Main St
Mount Joy, PA.

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United States
Naval Headquarters
San Francisco
California

July 19, 1937

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United States
Naval Headquarters
San Francisco, Calif.



Gentlemen:

Concerning the Missing
Miss Amelia Earhart and her
navigator Fred Noonan:

In earlier reports it was
said, Miss Earhart encountered
a storm of some kind, I do not
remember, but if so be the case -
knowing her limited amount of
fuel supply the smallness
of Howland island, turned back
and was forced to land on one
of the many Islands surround-
ing New Guinea from where she
took off. This assumption may have
been over looked. J.D. Barr

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

FM4677-00-JUL25

FROM: USCGC ITASCA.
TO: CG SANFRANCISCO.

25 JULY 1937

0625 YOUR 0625 2148 ALL ISLANDS OF GILBERT GROUP ARE
THICKLY INHABITED AND COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ISLANDS FREQUENT PERIOD
BERU OR PERU NUKUNAU ONGTOA TAPETEDEA AND NONUTI SEARCHED BY
SWAN PERIOD ARORA TAMANA KURIA ARANUKA AND TARAWA SEARCHED BY
ITASCA PERIOD SENIOR DISTRICT OFFICER AT TARAWA IN CLOSE CONTACT
WITH THIS GROUP AND TARIARI REPORTED NEGATIVE FOR PLANE PASSAGE
OR WRECKAGE 2119

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District

6628 NSSMXDOJULY San Francisco, California.

R00 WASHN CK 39 GOVT NAVY NITE TWENTYFOURTH 1310

GOVT NAVY MR GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM BURBANK CALIF

NAVY DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT BRITISH AND JAPANESE HAVE GIVEN
ASSURANCE THEIR SHIPPING OPERATING IN AREAS CONCERNED WILL MAINTAIN
PARTICULAR LOOKOUT FOR LOST PLANE AND FLIERS

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

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FROM: COAST GUARD HDQTRS SF
TO : RADIO SANFRANCISCO

DEFINITE INFORMATION RECEIVED AT 0945 FROM MR PUTNAM EARTHART
STILL AT LAE DEPARTING 2130. GCT JULY SECOND

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San Francisco, California.

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FROM USCG ITASCA
TO HDQTRS SF DIVN USCG
INFO GOVERNOR GUAM COM12 ONTARIO SWAN
HDQTRS HONOLULU DVN USCG COM14

27 JUNE 1937

8027 YOUR 8026 1130 TARE TEN CALIBRATED SATISFACTORILY ON 3105
PERIOD 355 AND 425 BEST FREQUENCIES THIS VICINITY PERIOD 6210 AND
7500 KCS CALIBRATED WILL CONTINUE TESTS 1113

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FROM: COMDR SANFRANCISCO DIVN (CG)
 TO : ITASCA (PRIORITY)
 INFO: GOVERNOR GUAM, COM 12, ONTARIO, SWAN, COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION
 CG, COM 14

8026 FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM EARNHART THIS DATE QUOTE HOMING DEVICE
 COVERS FROM 200 TO 1500 AND 2400 TO 4800 KILOCYCLES

ANY FREQUENCIES NOT REPEAT NOT NEAR ENDS OF BANDS SUITABLE

UNQUOTE SUGGEST USING SUITABLE FREQUENCIES HAVING IN MIND UNCERTAIN
 CHARACTERISTICS OF HIGH FREQUENCIES PERIOD USE 333 KILOCYCLES OR
 FREQUENCY IN THAT VICINITY AND TRY 545 KILOCYCLES AFTER TESTS WITH
 STATIONS YOUR LOCALITY TO DETERMINE WHICH IS BEST PERIOD ADVISE IF

IMPOSSIBLE TO PLACE TARE 10 TRANSMITTER ON 3105 KILOCYCLES PERIOD
 ADVISE EARNHART AT LAE VIA TUTUILA EXACT FREQUENCIES SELECTED AND
 ASSUME CONTINUOUS SIGNALS AFTER HER DIRECTION FINDER IN RANGE PERIOD
 SEE BROADCAST ON QUARTER AFTER AND QUARTER BEFORE HOUR ON 6210 AND
 3105 KILOCYCLES PERIOD AM ADVISING EARNHART THAT ITASCA WILL VOICE
 RADIO HER ON 3105 ON HOUR AND HALF HOUR AS SHE APPROACHES HOWLAND
 PERIOD REPAIRS MADE AND EARNHART NOW AT SOURABAJA EXPECTS LEAVE
 BAWN THIS DATE FOR PORT DARWIN AND NEXT DAY FOR LAE PERIOD ADVISE
 PRIORITY IF ADJUSTMENTS TARE TEN TRANSMITTER SATISFACTORY FOR USE
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Date Received.....

From: National Broadcasting Co. Inc. Dated 6/24/37SUBJECT: Re - Broadcast arrival at Oakland Airport of
Julia Barhart - etc. Re - permission for use ofINCLOSURE: Navy hangar - etc.

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*Letter acknowledged by Phone by Ch of Staff*AFTER EACH SUCCESSIVE ROUTING, CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE RETURNED
TO CHIEF CLERK.

NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, Inc.

A Radio Corporation of America Service

111 Sutter Street

San Francisco

June 24 1937

Commandant, Twelfth Naval District
Federal Office Building
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

The National Broadcasting Company is planning to broadcast the arrival at Oakland Airport of Amelia Earhart at a date which, as you know, is still undetermined. The broadcast will include not only a description of the landing but we hope an interview of Miss Earhart herself. Our telephone facilities connecting Oakland Airport to our studios at 111 Sutter Street have been installed by the phone company terminating adjacent to the Naval Reserve hangar at the Oakland Airport.

We have information to the effect that Miss Earhart's plane may be taxied into the Reserve hangar immediately upon landing and before she disembarks. It would therefore be highly desirable from our standpoint to secure advance permission for our party, consisting of approximately six men; announcers, technicians and the man in charge; to have entry to the hangar, both at the time of the broadcast and also sufficiently in advance of broadcast time to permit of necessary testing. We realize that the hangar as Government property is not normally open to non-service people, but earnestly appeal for your cooperation on this occasion.

As a point of information for yourself, our New York Office has made all the negotiations with Miss Earhart's management for this broadcast as an exclusive NBC feature, and it is therefore incumbent upon this Western Division to provide the necessary facilities. Obviously, if Miss Earhart's plane does taxi into the hangar immediately, and is blocked from our microphone by intervening crowds, we will be in a rather embarrassing position.

We hope it is not presuming to urge a reply at your very earliest opportunity.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Don Thompson
Don Thompson
In charge of Special Events

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25 June 1937

FIRST INDORSEMENT

From: Commandant, Twelfth Naval District and Naval Operating Base,
San Francisco, California
To: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Reserve Aviation Base,
Oakland Airport, Oakland, California
SUBJECT: Around the World Flight of Miss Earhart - Broadcasting of
her arrival at Oakland by the National Broadcasting Company.
Enclosures: (A) Copy of Opnav dispatch 3816 - 1230. - June 1937
(B) Copy of Opnav dispatch 3808 - 1435. - " "

1. Referred for information and appropriate action. Please
contact Mr. Thompson in regard to the subject matter.

J. V. OGAN
Chief of Staff

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the correspondence and has no recommendation to make as to change therein.

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HEADQUARTERS TWELFTH NAVAL DISTRICT
SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA

16 June 1937

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FROM: OPNAV
TO: COM 14, NAVSTA TUTUILA SAMOA, INFO
INFO: CINCUS, COMAIRBASFOR, CINCAF, FAB PEARL HARBOR, COM 12
COMDT WASHN DC (CG)

3816 OPNAV 3808-1435 MISS EARHART EXPECTS ARRIVE LAE NEW GUINEA 23
JUNE AND HOWLAND ISLAND 24 OR 25 JUNE. DESIRE ONTARIO BE ON
STATION 23 JUNE AND OTHER ASSISTANCE FURNISHED AS PREVIOUSLY
PLANNED 1230

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8 June 1937

FROM: OPNAV
TO: NAVSTA TUTUILA: COM 14
INFO: CINCUS; CINC ASIATIC; COMAIRBASFOR; FITAIRBASE PH: COM TWELVE
COMDT WASHN DC COAST GUARD

3808 REFERENCE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS SAME SUBJECT PRESENT INDICATIONS
ARE MISS EARHART WHO IS MAKING A LANDPLANE FLIGHT AROUND WORLD IN WEST
TO EAST DIRECTION WILL COMMENCE FLIGHT NEW GUINEA TO HOWLAND ABOUT 22
JUNE. SAME SERVICES AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED REQUIRED THAT IS ONTARIO
ON PLANE GUARD STATION ABOUT MIDWAY BETWEEN BRITISH NEW GUINEA AND HOWLAND
ISLAND, ONE SEAPLANE TENDER ABOUT MIDWAY BETWEEN HOWLAND AND
PEARL HARBOR, TWO AVIATION MECHANICS ACCOMPANY COAST GUARD CUTTER FROM
PEARL HARBOR TO HOWLAND ISLAND, LIEUTENANT TRUE AT PEARL HARBOR TO
FURNISH AEROLOGICAL SERVICES TO MISS EARHART. ABOVE IS FURNISHED
TO FACILITATE PLANNING DEFINITE INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN
AVAILABLE 1435

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PRESS ASSOCIATION REPORTS EARHART RETURNED BANDOENG JAVA
FROM SOURABAYA JAVA TWENTYFOURTH FOR REPAIRS TO INSTRUMENTS
UNCERTAIN WHEN CONTINUING FLIGHT.

Copy of message received today, 25 June, from Press Association.

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

FROM: CPNAV
TO : COM 14, NAVSTA TUTUILA SAPOA, INFO
INFO: CINCUS, COMAIRBASEON, CMC, PAF PEARLHARBOR, COM 12,
COMDT WASHN DC (CG)

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THEY MUST BE IN THE LINE FOR THE NEW GUINEA FLIGHT

FROM: OPNAV.

TO: NAVSTA TUTUILA ; COM FOURTEEN.

INFO: CINCLAS; CINCLAS-ASIATIC ; COMAIRBASEFOR; FLT AIRBASE PH: COM TWELVE
COMOT WASHN DC. COAST GUARD

REFERENCE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS THE SUBJECT INCIDENT HAS BEEN
 ARE WILSON/DAVIS/ AND THE NAVY IN LANDPLANE FLIGHT AROUND WORLD IN THE
 TO EAST DIRECTION WILL CONVEY FLIGHT NEW GUINEA TO HAWAII. THE
 JUNE PERIOD SAME SERVICE. AS PREVIOUSLY PLAN TO BE IN THE LINE FOR
 ON PLANE GUARD STATION. FROM MILITARY BETWEEN BRITISH NEW GUINEA AND
 IS THE LINE FOR THE NEW GUINEA FLIGHT AROUND WORLD IN THE
 PEARL HARBOR. THE NEW GUINEA FLIGHT AROUND WORLD IN THE
 FROM HAWAII TO HAWAII. THE NEW GUINEA FLIGHT AROUND WORLD IN THE
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San Francisco, California.

T Z SAKE V MUSK NITE
FROM OPNAV
TO NAVSTA SAMOA

3828 CONNECTION AMELIA EARHART SECOND FLIGHT STARTING WITHIN TWO OR
THREE WEEKS PLEASE HAVE ONTARIO READY TO RENDER SAME SERVICE AS ON
PREVIOUS ATTEMPT PERIOD WILL ADVISE TIME PLANE DEPARTURE OAKLAND
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11 June 1937

From: NavSta Tutuila
To: Opnav

0111 UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCED ONTARIO WILL DEPART FROM PAGO PAGO 15
JUNE IN ORDER TO REACH ASSIGNED STATION FOR EARHART FLIGHT
by 22 JUNE 1505

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San Francisco, California.

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TO CINC US

19 JULY 1937

INFO COMDESCOFOR COMBATFOR COMSCOFOR COMAIRBATFOR OPNAV COMFOURTEEN
USS DRAYTON USS LAMSON USS CUSHING USS LEXINGTON

0719 LEXINGTON GROUP REPORTS FOR DUTY POSITION SEVEN DEGREES FOURTEEN

MINUTES NORTH ONE SEVENTY SIX FIFTY SIX WEST TEN HOURS ZONE PLUS ELEVEN ONE

HALF TIME COURSE ZERO FIVE TWO SPEED FIFTEEN PROCEEDING IN COMPANY GREAT

CIRCLE ROUTE SANDIEGO WILL HOIST PENNANT IN LAMSON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE LEXINGTON CONTINUE DIRECT SANDIEGO ARRIVING THIRTIETH

LAMSON DRAYTON CUSHING PROCEED PEARLHARBOR ARRIVING TWENTY FOURTH FUEL

PROVISION DEPART TWENTY SIXTH ARRIVE SANDIEGO ONE AUGUST 1100

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No. 421(1)Date Received 2-25-37From: Always Supt. Dept. of Commerce,Dated 3-24-37OaklandSUBJECT: Appreciation for excellent cooperation connection Miss
Barhart's FlightINCLOSURE: 2 Photographs

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Write letter of thanks May 29
*S.*AFTER EACH SUCCESSIVE ROUTING, CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE RETURNED
TO CHIEF CLERK.

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25 March 1937

Mr. W. T. Miller
Airways Superintendent
Department of Commerce
201 New Post Office Building
Oakland, Calif.

My dear Mr. Miller:-

I wish to thank you for the two (2) photographs
of Miss Earhart's crew and plane.

Miss Earhart's unfortunate accident was keenly
felt, and on her second attempt every aid will again be accorded
her.

Very truly yours,

A. St. Clair Smith
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commandant, Twelfth Naval District

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In reply
Manager
Sixth District
Air Navigation Division
201 New Post Office Building
Oakland, Calif.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF AIR COMMERCE

Oakland March 24, 1937

Commandant,
14th Naval District
Civic Center
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to take advantage of this opportunity and express my appreciation for your excellent cooperation in lending every assistance in making possible Miss Earhart's flight, which unfortunately ended at Luke Field, Pearl Harbor, T.H. Miss Earhart is contemplating a second attempt in the near future.

The enclosed photographs of Miss Earhart's Lockheed and crew are for your use.

Very truly yours,

/s/W. T. Miller
W. T. Miller
Airways Superintendent

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Note:
Photographs retained in
Miss Kenney's file
Also original of this letter.

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District

San Francisco, California.

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CANADIAN SECTION CG, TANEY

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8020 QUOTE MISS EARHART DETERMINED TO RESUME HER FLIGHT AS
SOON AS PLANE REPAIRED PERIOD AN ESTIMATE OF DAMAGE TO

PLANE IS BEING MADE IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR
NOT PLANE IS TO BE REPAIRED IN HONOLULU OR UNITED STATES

PERIOD MISS EARTHARTS CREW EXPRESSED DESIRE TO CONTINUE ON WITH
JEE WHEN PLANE IS REPAIRED SIGNED W T MILLER UNQUOTE

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San Francisco, California.

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

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T Z ■ F5L MUSK QUAN TORY V QUAC PPPP GR ■■ 37

8020 MISS EARHARTS PLANE CRASHED ON TAKE OFF ON LUKE

FIELD PEARL HARBOR ACCOUNT OF LEFT TIRE BLOWING OUT ALL

OCCUPANTS SAFE PERIOD MISS EARHART CALM AND COLLECTIVE REPORT

SITUATION LATER SIGNED W T MILLER 0950

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

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0000 DURING ATTEMPTED TAKEOFF FOR HOWLAND ISLAND
ABOUT 0530 TODAY SATURDAY EARMHART PLANE SWERVED
LANDING GEAR NO REPEAT NO INJURIES TO PERSONS
DAMAGED AT PRESENT IN CUSTODY ARMY
MISS EARMHART RETURNING MAINLAND IMMEDIATELY

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District

FROM GOVERNOR SANC San Francisco, California.

TO COMTWELVE OPNAV SHOSHONE

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DIVISION HONOLULU TH COMFOURTEEN

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ON ACCOUNT OF DELAY IN EARLY AT SAN FRANCISCO RE ELIMITY

AT REFUELING ONTARIO HAVE ORDERED THAT ACROSS THE GULF OF THE

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

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8079 QUOTE MISS EARNHART WILL DEPART FROM HONOLULU FOR HOWLAND MIDNIGHT
THIS DATE OR AT DAWN MARCH TWENTIETH LOCAL WEATHER PERMITTING SIGNED
W T MILLER UNQUOTE 2139

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2140 MARCH 19TH

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

FROM; COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION CG
TO; COMDR SANFRAN DIV CG.

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

FROM: COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION CG
TO : COMDR SANFRANCISCO DIVN CG

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FROM: COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION CG
TO : COMDR SANFRANCISCO DIVN CG
NPM 2894 A 18 MAR 1937

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6018 EARHART PLANE ARRIVED HONOLULU AT 1600 0632

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FROM: COMDR HAWAIIAN DIVN CG
TO : COMDR SANFRANCISCO DIVN CG

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6018 FOLLOWING INTERCEPTED AT 0515 QUOTE WILL ARRIVE 1111 GET 0522

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FROM: CG COMOR SAMOA
TO: CINCUS, COM 12, GOVERNOR SAMOA, OPNAV, USS ONTARIO,
USS QUAIL, USCGC SHOSHONE, COM 14, CG COMDT WASHN DC,
CG COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION.

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T Z FSL KATY MATH MUSK NIDX NIKQ NRUV TORY QUAH QUAX V

8018 QUOTE MISS EARHART HAS POSTPONED HER DEPARTURE FROM
TO HOWLAND ISLAND TWENTYFOUR HOURS ON ACCOUNT OF WEATHER
W T MILLER UNQUOTE 1735

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FROM NAVAL RESERVE AVIATION BASE OAKLAND

17 MARCH 1937

TO COMTWELVE

9517 LOCKHEED ELECTRA PLANE DEPARTMENT COMTWELVE NUMBER 10/24

MISS AMELIA EARHART OAKLAND FOR HONOLULU

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COMDR COAST GUARD SF DIV
CINC US, COMTWELVE, GOVERNOR SAMOA, OPNAV, ONTARIO, QUAIL,
SHOSHONE, COMFOURTEEN, COMDT CG WASHN DC, COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION
SF DIV HONOLULU

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T Z F5L KATH MATH MUSK NIDX NIKQ NRUV TOR QUAN QUAN
V QUAC P GR 43

8017 QUOTE MISS FARHART WILL DEPART OAKLAND AIRPORT ABOUT 430 PM
PACIFIC COAST TIME THIS DATE ON HER ROUND THE
WORLD FLIGHT PERIOD EXACT TIME OF HER DEPARTURE WILL BE
TRANSMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER TAKE OFF SIGNED W T MILLER UNQUOTE 1138

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FROM: CG COMOP SAN FRANCISCO DIV.
TO: CINCUS, COM 12, GOVERNOR SANDA, USS INTAR, O, USS QUAIL,
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SECTION.

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T Z FEL KATY MATH MUSH NIDX NIKO NROV TORY LEAT JUAN ST LEAG
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3417 QUOTE MISS LESPATCH OFFICIAL TAKE OFF FROM OAKLAND AIRPORT FOR
HONOLULU IS 437 AND A HALF PM PACIFIC TIME 573 1117 LESPATCH TOOK

OFF INTO A 14 MILE WIND UTILIZING 1297 FEET OF RUNWAY STOP TAKE OFF
TIME 23 SECONDS STOP EXCELLENT TAKE OFF 214 MUDY FIELD 13150

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COMDR SANFRANCISCO DIVN CG
ALL VESSELS IN PORT IN MY AREA CG, COM 12, GOVERNOR SAMOA,
GENAV, ONTARIO, QUAIL, TANEY, SHOSHONE, COMDT WASHN DC CG,
COMDR HAWAIIAN SECTION CG,

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T Z Q5L KATY MATH MUSK NIDX NIKQ NRDT NRUV QUAH QUAX V QUAC GR 4T

8016 QUOTE MISS EAPHARDT WILL. NOT DEPART THIS DATE FROM
OAKLAND AIRPORT ON HER ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT. WEATHER
CONDITIONS IMPROVING DEPARTURE FOR

TO WILL ADVISE MARCH 17 FURTHER

CAPTAIN RICHIE


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FROM
TO

MRO SANDIEGO
ALL USN SHIPS AND STATIONS

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1717 79 DIEGO LOCKHEED ELECTRA PLANE DEPARTMENT COMMERCE NUMBER 16020
MISS AMELIA EARHART OAKLAND FOR HONOLULU 17/0

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FROM SECNAV
TO NAS SANDIEGO
INFO BUAER, NRAB OAKLAND

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PHONED NRAB OAKLAND
PHONED MR W T MILLER

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FROM: NAS SANDIEGO
TO : RESAVBASE OAKLAND

NPL NR 26 MAR 16TH TG 1937

T Z ^HWOOD V NZY P P P P GR 55

1016 MY 1015 1927 SECNAV 0015 2315 OCTANT BEING SHIPPED

AIR EXPRESS COLLECT ON UAL PLANE DUE OAKLAND AT 1450

TODAY TUESDAY PERIOD CHARGES TO BE PAID BY MISS EARHART

OR REPRESENTATIVE PERIOD REQUEST INSTRUMENT BE TURNED OVER IMMEDIATELY ON
ARRIVAL AND CUSTOMY RECEIPT OF LIEUT COMDR HARRY MANNING USNR

BE RETURNED THIS STATION 1010

1016 REF: LOAN OF OCTANT TO MISS EARHART

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FROM NAS SANDIEGO
TO SECNAV
INFO BUAERO NRAB OAKLAND

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T Z SNOW V NZY Q ABED HOOD P P P P P P P GR52

1015 AMELIA BARHART URGENTLY REQUESTS AIR STATION LOAN NAVY OCTANT
FOR PROJECTED TRANS-PACIFIC FLIGHT AND SHIPMENT AIR EXPRESS TO OAKLAND
LIEUT USNR
IMMEDIATELY PERIOD NAVIGATOR ~~XXXX~~ COMBR GEORGE MANNING ~~XXXX~~ WILL SIGN
CUSTODY PERIOD OCTANT AVAILABLE PERIOD APPROVAL REQUESTED STATING DEPOSIT
REQUIRED PERIOD PROPOSE SHIP CARE COMMANDING OFFICER NRAB OAKLAND
SUBJECT DEPARTMENTS INSTRUCTIONS 1927

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NAVY DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20340
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
NAVY DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20340

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DE SAN FRANCISCO CK 38 GOVT COMAER THIRTEENTH 1039

GOVT COMAER COMMANDANT FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT HONOLULU

REQUEST IF AVAILABLE

A WEATHER MAP FROM THE FLEET AIR BASE BE SUPPLIED

MISS EARHART WHILE SHE IS AT WHEELER FIELD PRIOR TO

HER DEPARTURE FOR HOWLAND ISLAND.

W T MILLER

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RECEIVED GOVT COMAER RICHARD B BLACK

USCG SHOSHONE

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SUGGEST LIEUTENANT ~~XXXX~~

CONTACT SAMOA NAVAL RADIO AND REQUEST WEATHER INFORMATION FROM AUSTRALIA
AND NEWGUIANA STOP IF THERE XXXXX IS A FINANCIAL CHARGE FOR
OBTAINING WEATHER INFORMATION THE COST WILL BE PAID BY MR
PUTNAM STOP NO ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE OTHER THAN REQUESTING (50)
GOVERNOR AMERICAN SAMOA TO OBTAIN ALL POSSIBLE WEATHER INFORMATION IN
THE ANTIPIDES STOP ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES IN YOUR RADIO ~~AND~~ MARCH
ELEVENTH AND FINAL DATA PERTAINING TO MISS EARHARTS FLIGHT BEING TRANS-
MITTED THIS DATE STOP FOLLOWING FOR CAMPBELL HOWLAND ISLAND REQUEST AN
HAZARDOUS AREA ON RUNWAYS BE FLAGGED OFF STOP NO CHANGE (1000)
IN FLIGHT SCHEDULE TO DATE STOP WILL ADV SE ANY CHANGE

ALSO TIME MISS EARHARTS DEPARTURE FROM OAKLAND (BT) W T MILLER

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San Francisco, California.

FROM SHOSBONE
TO COMDT WASHN(USCG)

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T Z QUAH V NRU V GR 76

8013 FOLLOWING FOR MR J S WYNEE BUREAU OF AIR COMMERCE WASHINGTON DC
QUOTE THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN DELAYED THREE DAYS BECAUSE OF STATIC
INTERFERENCE TO TRANSMISSION AND RECEIVING STOP IN REPLY YOUR RADIO
RE AIRPORT COMPLETION STATUS STOP EAST WEST RUNWAY COMPLETED LENGTH
TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FEET STOP NORTHEAST SOUTHWEST RUNWAY
COMPLETE STOP LENGTH THREE THOUSAND FEET STOP NORTH SOUTH RUNWAY
COMPLETE MARCH FIFTEENTH STOP LENGTH FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FEET
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FROM COM 5F DIVN 100
 TO USCG SHOSHONE, COMOR HONOLULU DIVN USCG,
 INFO COM 12, COM 14, OPNAV

906 M T Z NRU V QUAX V QUAC Q KATY MUSK TORY GR 164

8013 AMELIA EARHART PLANE RADIO CALL KHAQQ WILL TRANSMIT ON
 500 COMMA 3105 COMMA AND 6210 KILOCYCLES USING CONTINUOUS WAVE
 TELEGRAPHY AND VOICE PERIOD PLANE HAS DIRECTION FINDER COVERING 200
 TO 1430 KILOCYCLES WITH ALL WAVE RECEIVER FOR TELEGRAPHY PERIOD
 SHOSHONE WORK PLANE ON 500 COMMA 3105 COMMA AND 6210

KILOCYCLES IF POSSIBLE OTHERWISE NOTIFY PLANE OF SHIFT TO 2670
 KILOCYCLES PERIOD PLANE SUGGESTS DIRECTION FINDER BE SET UP ON
 ISLAND IF PRACTICABLE PERIOD IN MAKING MO FOR BEARING ON

500 KC TRANSMIT LONG DASHES NO REPEAT NO AMATEUR CONTACTS
 WILL BE MADE AND ALL TRANSMISSIONS WILL BE ON FREQUENCIES

LISTED PERIOD SHOSHONE CONTACT WITH COAST COMMERCIAL STATIONS WILL BE
 ON 8455 OR 12600 KILOCYCLES ON SCHEDULE TO BE ARRANGED

LATER PERIOD SPEED OF TRANSMISSIONS TO PLANE NOT TO EXCEED
 FIFTEEN WORDS PER MINUTE ARRANGEMENTS FOR RADIO AT NEW GUINEA
 WILL BE MADE AT HONOLULU PERIOD SHOSHONE REPORT WHEN TRANSMITTERS

ARE READY ON PLANE FREQUENCIES PERIOD DISTRIBUTION COLON CAPTAIN MANNING
 AND MR MILLER 1320

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FROM COM ~~XX~~ SF DIVN USCG
 TO USCG SHOSHONE
 INFO COM HONOLULU DIVN USCG

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8013 FOLLOWING FROM MISS EANHART QUOTE FOR CUTTER AT HOWLAND
 ISLAND SIX HOURS AFTER DEPARTURE OF PLANE FROM HONOLULU CUTTER
 PLEASE CALL THE PLANE FROM ONE TO SIX MINUTES PAST
 THE HOUR AND THIRTYONE TO THIRTYSIX MINUTES PAST THE HOUR
 THE FIRST TWO MINUTES ON 3105 KC THE SECOND TWO
 MINUTES ON 6210 KC THE THIRD TWO MINUTES ON 500
 KC UNTIL ~~XXXXXX~~ CONTACT IS ESTABLISHED PERIOD IF NO CONTACT MADE
 AFTER THREE HOURS CUTTER SHOULD TRANSMIT MO LONG DASHES ON
 375 KC FOLLOWED BY CALL LETTERS FOR PLANE TO TAKE
 BEARINGS PERIOD THIS TRANSMISSION SHOULD BE SENT EVERY TEN MINUTES
 COMMENCING ON THE EVEN HOUR LASTING FOUR MINUTES ATTEMPTS WILL
 BE MADE BY THE PLANE TO CONTACT THE NEAR SHIP
 AFTER THE MO TRANSMISSION IS FINISHED IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED
 ABOVE THE FIRST TWO MINUTES ON 3105 KC THE SECOND
 TWO MINUTES ON ~~XX~~ 6210 AND THE THIRD TWO MINUTES ON
 500 KC PERIOD CUTTER PLEASE LISTEN ACCORDINGLY PERIOD ALL TIMES
 ARE GCT PLANE CALL LETTER KHAQQ SHIP SHOW SEARCHLIGHT AS
 PLANE APPROACHES ISLAND DURING DARKNESS AND MAKE SMOKE DURING DAYLIGHT
 UNQUOTE 0905

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FROM COM SF DIVN USCG
 TO USCG SHOSHONE, COM HONOLULU DIVN USCG
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100G M T NRU V Z NRU V QUAX V QUAC GR 162.

8013 FOLLOWING FOR YOUR INFORMATION CONCERNING MISS EARHART FLIGHT QUOTE
 REQUEST MONITORY SERVICE AT SANFRANCISCO BE MAINTAINED ON PLANE DURING
 ENTIRE FLIGHT ATTEMPTS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE COAST GUARD STATION
 AT SANFRANCISCO WILL BE MADE AT 31 TO 36 MINUTES
 PAST
 0900/ THE HOUR PERIOD AFTER SEVEN HOURS OF FLIGHT FROM

ALAMEDA NO ATTEMPT TO COMMUNICATE WITH SANFRANCISCO STATION WILL BE
 MADE UNLESS NECESSARY THE PLANE WILL CALL FIRST TWO MINUTES
 ON 3105 KC SECOND TWO MINUTES ON 6200 KC AND
 THIRD TWO MINUTES ON 500 KC PERIOD THIS SAME SCHEDULE
 WILL NOT APPLY TO THE HONOLULU STATION BUT IT IS

INTENDED TO REPEAT ABOVE SCHEDULE AT 41 TO 46 MINUTES
 PAST THE HOUR PERIOD THE PLANE WILL ONLY CALL WHEN
 NECESSITY DEMANDS ALL TIMES GCT PLANE CALL KHAQQ UNQUOTE SOUTHSIDE
 GUARDS ALL FREQUENCIES CONTINUOUSLY UNTIL ALL SIGNALS GO OUT PERIOD
 PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS AT HONOLULU AND SANFRANCISCO HANDLING ALL TRAFFIC
 AND DIRECTION FINDER BEARINGS ANSWERING PLANE ON 2986 KC USING
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FROM COMDR SANFRAN DIV (USCG)
TO COMDT WASHN(USCG)

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T Z QUAH V QUAC GR 41

6012 MISS EARHEART REQUESTS TANEY BE DETAILED TO STATION 200
MILES NORTHEAST HONOLULU TO ACT AS RADIO BEACON ON FLIGHT
LEG SANFRANCISCO TO HONOLULU PERIOD IN VIEW OF FACT ALL
PREVIOUS ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY HEADQUARTERS REQUEST IMMEDIATE
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FROM COMDT WASHN DC (CG)
TO COMDR SANFRAN DIV (CG)

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APPROVES/REQUEST, STATION

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MEMISS EARHART REQUESTS TANEY BE DETAILED TO STATION 200
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FROM: PAC
TO: JCS
INFO: JCS

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PHONED MR. W. MILLER 145, 12

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adquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

FROM: COMINBATFOR
TO : FAB PEARLHARBOR, HAWAII
INFO: COMBATFOR, COMNAVSTA

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PHONED MR W Y MILLER OAKLAND AIR PORT

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GOVT COMAER CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS WASHN DC

COMDT TWELFTH NAVAL DISTRICT

COMDT FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT

GOVERNOR OF AMERICAN SAMOA

CAPT KILPATRICK ONI FEDERAL BLDG HONOLULU TH

COMDR SANFRANCISCO DIVN COAST GUARD

BLACK INTERIOR REPRESENTATIVE HONOLULU TH

ACTION COMDT FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT GOVERNOR AMERICAN SAMOA
 INFO CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS CAPT KILPATRICK COMDR SANFRANCISCO
 DIVN COAST GUARD BLACK INTERIOR REPRESENTATIVE HONOLULU

REFERENCE COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY OF THE NAVY DATED FIFTEEN

FEBRUARY 1937 RELATIVE MISS AMELIA EARHART ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT
 FURTHER REFERENCE MY RADIO EIGHT MARCH 1937 ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE

THE COAST GUARD CUTTER SHOSHONE WILL DEPART FROM HONOLULU FOR

HOWLAND THIS DATE STOP REQUEST ONTARIO SAIL TEN MARCH FOR ASSIGNED
 STATION STOP FURTHER REQUEST WHIPPOORWILL DEPART FROM HONOLULU

IN ORDER TO BE AT ASSIGNED STATION BY EVENING OF SIXTEEN MARCH STOP
 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE WEATHER PERMITTING MISS EARHART WILL DEPART FROM
 OAKLAND AIRPORT FIFTEEN MARCH ~~ARRIVING~~ HONOLULU SIXTEEN MARCH DEPART

HONOLULU EVENING OF SAME DAY FOR OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO HOWLAND
 ARRIVING HOWLAND MORNING OF SEVENTEEN MARCH DEPART HOWLAND EVENING

OF SAME DAY FOR LAE BRITISH NEW GUIENA ARRIVING LAE EIGHTEEN MARCH

W T MILLER

10 MARCH 1937

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KATY - 04TH 1000Z GR 35

0039 FOR KATY T. MILLER - 000000S SAILING ON

12 MARCH WILL BE DELAYED FOR 24 HOURS OR MAX LONGER

PLEASE ADVISE IN ORDER THAT WE MAY SEND HER TO MANUA GROUP WITH FOOD 1735

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
San Francisco, California.

FROM; GOVERNOR SANCA
TO; COM 12
INFO; CINCUS, FLEET AIR BASE PEARLHARBOR, SECNAV, COM 14.

NFM MX NR 742 ML 4 MAR. 1937

T FSL SNOW Z KATY V MATH Q FSL HUNT SNOW TORY NITE GR 12.

0004 YOUR 1903 1210 ONTARIO'S HIGH OPERATING LIMIT IS 1700

KCS 1425.

REF: MR MILLER AND CAPT MANNING REQUEST NAME OF SHIP TO
BE STATIONED BETWEEN HOWLAND ISLAND AND HONOLULU
ALSO WHETHER OR NOT THAT SHIP AND ONTARIO CAN USE
3105 KCS AND 6210 KCS FOR COMMUNICATION WITH PLANE

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Headquarters Twelfth Naval District
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FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 5, 1955

DATE: 20 MAR 5 1955

SAC, 2 KATY V MATH Q HUNT SNOW TONY NITE 60
PLEASE INFORM MR WILLER AND CAPTAIN MANNING THAT IN
ORDER TO REACH ASSIGNED STATION FOR EARNHART FLIGHT
DEPART PAGOPAGO MORNING 10 MARCH PERIOD IF
WEATHER NOT FAVORABLE WILL HAVE SUFFICIENT
NOT LATE THAN MORNING 20 MARCH 1955

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ISLAND AIRPORT FOR MR WILLER AND CAPT MANNING

3 March 1937

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FROM: COMTOLIVE

TO: COMFOUNTREN

INFO: SECNAV; CINCUS; GOVERNOR SAMOA, CINCPAC;
COMAIRBASEFOR; FAB, I.H; COMLT C.G.

FEBRUARY

1903 SECNAV 1315 1544, MR. MILLER AND CAPTAIN MANNING

REQUEST NAME OF SHIP TO BE STATIONED BETWEEN HOWLAND

ISLAND AND HONOLULU ALSO WHETHER OR NOT THAT SHIP AND

ONTARIO CAN USE 3105 KCS AND 6210 KCS FOR COMMUNICATION

WITH FLAME 1218

(COPY TO OPERATIONS)

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FROM: COMFOURTEEN
TO : COMTWELVE
INFO: FAB PEARLHARBOR, GOVERNOR SAMOA

NPM 703 S MX MARCH 4 1937

Z KATY V TORY Q HUNT MATH NITE GR 17

0004 YOUR 1903 1218 WHIPPOORWILL CANNOT OPERATE ABOVE 3000 KCS

DO NOT KNOW LIMITS OF ONTARIO 1138

1432 REF: MR MILLER AND CAPT MANNING REQUEST NAME OF SHIP TO BE
STATIONED BETWEEN HOWLAND ISLAND AND HONOLULU ALSO
WHETHER OR NOT THAT SHIP AND ONTARIO CAN USE 3105 KCS
AND 6210 KCS FOR COMMUNICATION WITH PLANE

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Lt J. L. ...
 called said
 U.S. C. B. C. Shoshone
 will depart Wed for
 P. H. + from there
 will accompany
 Miss Earhart on ^{next} flight.

Burner Detective
 Morse Patrol service
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 7-11 Sargent Campbell

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COMMANDANT FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT

GOVERNOR AMERICAN SAMOA

COMMANDING OFFICER ROGER B TANEY

RICHARD BLACK DEPARTMENT INTERIOR REPRESENTATIVE CARE

GOVERNORS OFFICE HONOLULU

REFERENCE

SECRETARY NAVY RADIO DATED FIFTEEN FEBRUARY 1937 MISS AMELIA
EARHARDT WILL DEPART OAKLAND ABOUT FIFTEEN MARCH ON HER AROUND THE WORLD

FLIGHT SCHEDULE CALLS FOR STOPS AT HONOLULU AND HOWLAND ISLAND ARRIVING
AT EACH ONE THESE POINTS IN THE MORNING AND DEPARTING SAME DAY IN THE EVENING

WEATHER PERMITTING STOP THIS INFORMATION IS FURNISHED IN ORDER TO ADVISE
THE APPROXIMATE DATE AND DURATION OF MISS EARHARDT'S FLIGHT BETWEEN OAKLAND

AND LAE BRITISH NEW GUINEA

W T MILLER

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Via Hydrographic Office

Roger B. Tausky

FROM SECNAV
TO CINCUS; COM 12; GOVERNOR SAMOA; COM 14;
INFO CINCAF; COMAIRBASEFOR; FAB PH; COMDT.WASHN DC

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T FSQ HUNT MATH TORY Z FSL KATY MATH TORY V SNOW Q FSQ FSW HUNT
QUAH NITE GR 165

1315 MISS AMELIA EARHART WILL DEPART OAKLAND ABOUT FIFTEEN MARCH ON LAND
PLANE FLIGHT AROUND WORLD PROCEEDING VIA HONOLULU AND HOWLAND ISLAND AND
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BRITISH NEW GUINEA FOR PLANE GUARD AND WEATHER REPORTS PERIOD UP MILLER
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FOR FLIGHT PERIOD HE WILL ARRIVE OAKLAND ABOUT TWENTY FIVE FEBRUARY AND
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UNITED STATES FLEET
U. S. S. PENNSYLVANIA, Flagship

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SAN PEDRO, California,
6 March, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADMIRAL:

SUBJECT: Flight of Miss Earhart. ✓

1. The data on this subject available on board consists of:

- (a) A file of despatches based on Secnav despatch 1315-1544 of February, 1937.
- (b) Memorandum to Chief of Staff from Fleet Aerologist Officer outlining aerological plan.
- (c) File of letters between Chief of Staff and Mr. Putnam, and to Captain Whiting, Commanding FAB Pearl Harbor.

2. The general arrangements for the flight are as follows:

- (d) U.S.S. WHIPPOORWILL take station midway between Honolulu and Howland Island.
- (e) Coast Guard Cutter ROGER B. TANEY to Howland Island with aerological unit.
- (f) Lieutenant A. E. True, Aerological Officer, is on board the U.S.C.G. ROGER B. TANEY. *with two aviation mechanics*
- (g) U.S.S. ONTARIO to take station midway between Howland Island and British New Guinea.
- (h) Aerological unit to be placed on board U.S.S. NECHES and BRAZOS, which will be enroute between Pearl Harbor and the West Coast during the approximate period of the flight.

3. Attention is invited to the last two despatches on the file outlining the limits of radio frequency at which the ONTARIO and WHIPPOORWILL can operate.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
U. S. S. PENNSYLVANIA, Flagship
San Pedro, California,
2 February 1937

Dear Mr. Putnam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 28th, and note that your representative in Honolulu is Mr. William Cogswell, c/o Bowman Deute & Co., Honolulu.

I am sending copy of all correspondence to Captain Kenneth Whiting, USN, who is in command of the Air Station at Pearl Harbor, and have suggested to him that he get in touch with Mr. Cogswell in order that preliminary arrangements can be made for rendering such assistance as he may be in a position to give.

It may be possible that the best weather reports you obtain from the general sector of Howland - New Guinea and Australia can be relayed to the naval radio station at Pearl Harbor via naval radio Samoa.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A. C. PICKRES.
Captain, U. S. Navy,
Chief of Staff.

Mr. George Palmer Putnam
2 West 45th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
U. S. S. PENNSYLVANIA, Flagship
San Pedro, California,
2 February 1937

My dear Ken,

I am enclosing herewith a copy of correspondence with Mr. George Palmer Putnam, which is self-explanatory.

I would appreciate it if you will look into the matter and see what assistance you will be able to render and also inform the Commandant of what is contemplated.

We have received nothing so far from the Department on this proposed flight, but the Department previously asked the Commander-in-Chief to render such assistance as he could in connection with the previously proposed flight of Miss Earhart, which contemplated re-fueling from the air over Midway, with naval assistance. This flight apparently has been cancelled and the present proposed one substituted.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely,

A. C. PICKENS,
Captain, U. S. Navy.

Captain Kenneth Whiting, USN,
U. S. Naval Air Station,
Pearl Harbor, Oahu.

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GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM

2 West 45th Street,
New York City.

January 28, 1937

Dear Capt. Pickens:

Thank you for your letter of January 23rd and for all the trouble you are taking in connection with these matters.

I am, as suggested, taking the matter up with the Bureau of Navigation and also with the Pan American Airways people.

Please express to the Commander-in-Chief the gratitude of Miss Earhart and myself for his generous cooperation.

When Miss Earhart gets to Honolulu the preparation of a weather map covering the next two hops -- to Howland and New Guinea -- will be vastly important. We will attempt to secure some special data from points in that general sector and in Australia. Which data will be useful in making a forecast at Honolulu. We would also, through you, pick up any data available from Naval vessels in the region.

If possible will you please do the necessary to designate an aerologist at the base in Honolulu to cooperate with us in this matter. If in order, I request that he be informed of the situation and requested to cooperate with Miss Earhart. If you will let me know his name I will put in touch with him our representative at Honolulu, who will be in general charge of handling the shore end of the flight at that point. Then they can coordinate their arrangements.

In line with your suggestion, I will appreciate it if you will supply an aerologist from the Navy Air Station in Pearl Harbor to accompany the Coast

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GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM

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Guard Cutter Duane on its March cruise to Howland. I am arranging through Washington with the Coast Guard to care for him. If possible, I would like to know the officer's name so that I can transmit the full information to my man at Honolulu. Our representative's name, by the way, is William Cogswell, c/o Bowman Deute & Co., Honolulu.

am, With renewed gratitude for your help, I

Sincerely yours,



Capt. A.C. Pickens,
United States Fleet,
U.S. Pennsylvania, Flagship,
San Pedro, California.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
U. S. S. PENNSYLVANIA, Flagship

San Pedro, California,
1 February, 1937.

CONFIDENTIALMEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Staff.

With reference to paragraph 5, the aerological officer at Pearl Harbor is Lieutenant A. E. True, attached to the Fleet Air Base. He is the only aerological officer in that vicinity and could probably be of most help by remaining at Pearl Harbor and cooperating with Mr. Cogswell. Radio facilities at Pearl Harbor will permit reception of weather from the South Sea Islands and Australia, relayed by Naval Radio at Samoa or Guam.

Lieutenant True made a trip on the RAMAPO to China this past summer and should be quite familiar with aviation weather facilities from Pearl Harbor to Australia.

With reference to paragraph 6, it is assumed that an aerographer is wanted and not an aerologist (this is a slight technicality which is often confusing. An aerologist is a commissioned officer, an aerographer an enlisted man holding the rating of aerographer, chief, first, second, or third). Mr. Putnam evidently misconstrued your letter in which you mentioned that an aerographer could be made available for the Coast Guard Cutter, DUANE. At the present time the following enlisted personnel are attached to the Fleet Air Base, Pearl Harbor:

Lindeman, T.	Chief Aerographer
Hartman, J.M.	Aerog. 2/c
House, F. W.	Aerog. 3/c
Beason, C.A.	Aerog. 3/c

Lindeman is best qualified for the temporary duty on the DUANE, particularly if it should involve any forecasting duty from Howland to New Guinea, though I believe the final decision for the flight from Pearl Harbor to Australia should be made at Pearl Harbor, where the most complete radio and weather facilities will be available. If this plan is decided upon, anyone of the other men are qualified to make pilot balloon soundings and surface reports.

During the Fleet Problem several of these men will probably be sent out on advance base operations for the patrol squadrons, probably leaving Pearl Harbor one or two weeks ahead of commencement of the Problem.

Respectfully,

H. T. Orville
H. T. ORVILLE.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
U. S. S. PENNSYLVANIA, Flagship
San Pedro, California,
23 January 1937

Dear Mr. Putnam,

The reply to your letter of January 15th has been delayed by the Flagship's absence at sea. The Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Fleet, stands ready to assist you in the proposed flight in any way he can. As regards your request for the services of Lieutenant Stevens for the first few weeks in March at the Naval Reserve Air Station at Oakland, unfortunately Lieutenant Stevens will be absent in the Canal Zone and Caribbean for the period 2 February - 27 March, and therefore his services will not be available.

The ordering of officers to temporary duty and especially so when such duty involves travel expense, is not within the province of the Commander-in-Chief, but comes under the Bureau of Navigation in the Navy Department. I suggest that you get in touch with that Bureau and see if they find it possible to order an experienced aerologist for temporary duty at the Naval Reserve Air Station at Oakland in connection with the proposed flight.

The most experienced officer qualified for *this* aerological duty is Lieutenant T. J. Raftery, now stationed at Naval Air Station, Anacostia, D. C., but owing to the distance involved and the possibility that his services cannot be spared, it may be that he can not be ordered.

There are a number of officers in the Fleet on the West Coast and at Naval Air Stations San Diego and Pearl Harbor, Oahu, who can be made available for this temporary duty if you can make the necessary arrangements with the Bureau of Navigation.

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Probably your very best weather advisor is the weather predicting organization Panama Airways Clipper Ship organization at Alameda, California.

At present, owing to the scarcity of reports from ships in the Pacific, weather predictions in regard to the area of your proposed flight are extremely difficult. If you will keep me informed when you feel reasonably sure of the approximate date, we will arrange to get you complete weather information from any naval ships which may be at sea in the area. Unfortunately such ships will be few and far apart.

I suggest that you arrange with the Coast Guard to have an aerographer on the cutter making the trip to Honolulu and Howland. A qualified aerographer with necessary equipment from the Naval Air Station Pearl Harbor, can be supplied if agreeable to the Coast Guard.

The most difficult part of your weather problem appears to be from Howland on to Australia. Over this area I regret to say that we are in no position to be of much assistance. It will be necessary for you to arrange to obtain such weather reports in that area as you may be able to obtain.

I note you desire to keep this matter confidential, and will be governed accordingly.

With best wishes to Miss Earhart and you in her undertaking, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. C. PICKENS,
Captain, U. S. Navy,
Chief of Staff.

Mr. George P. Putnam,
2 West 45th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

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GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM

2 West 45th Street,
New York City.

January 15, 1937.

Dear Capt. Pickens:

This is in tardy acknowledgment of your letter acknowledging mine of December 7th informing the Commander-in-Chief that the proposed refueling operation of Miss Earhart's plane at Midway Island has been abandoned.

For your information the present plan contemplates a direct flight from Honolulu to Howland Island. You are doubtless aware that on January 12th the United States C.G. Cutter Duane left Pearl Harbor for Howland with personnel and equipment to construct an emergency landing field thereon.

From Howland Miss Earhart contemplates flying to New Guinea, probably using the airport at Lae there. From Lae she hopes to proceed to Port Darwin and thence on the conventional airways route to Karachi.

We are grateful for the Commander-in-Chief's intimation that he will be pleased to render such assistance as may be practical.

When Miss Earhart made her solo flight from Honolulu to San Francisco, we were greatly assisted by Lieutenant Emory W. Stephens, then stationed at Pearl Harbor as, I think, meteorological officer. His knowledge of Pacific weather, and his cooperation were tremendously valuable.

Since then Lieutenant Stephens has been to Howland and has cruised much of the southwest Pacific involved in Miss Earhart's plan. I am advised he is now on board the U.S.S. Wright.

It will be most helpful to Miss Earhart, and greatly appreciated, if it were possible, if Lieutenant Stephens could be temporarily assigned to the Naval

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Reserve Air Station at Oakland so that he could be there after the first of March for a few weeks. If this could be done, the entire weather problem for the Pacific stages of the journey would be focused through him. Miss Earhart ~~was~~, for instance, would not take off from the east for Oakland until the weather probabilities, as diagnosed by Stephens, were satisfactory westward to Australia.

Will you please let me know if it is possible to grant this request.

For your information I am advised from Washington that the Coast Guard Cutter will make another trip from Honolulu to Howland immediately prior to the flight, taking out gasoline, a couple of mechanics, and standing by at the island until her arrival, rendering radio navigational assistance and ultimately returning the personnel from Howland to Honolulu.

If by any chance a Naval vessel in the course of its duties should be in the general vicinity, it would, of course, be most helpful if such vessel should be stationed at the time of the flight somewhere on the route between Honolulu and Howland or, even better, southwesterly of Howland on the general course to Lae and British Guinea.

Please understand we are deeply appreciative of the generous cooperation thus far given and we do not want to impose unduly. The suggestions are made on the chance that they could be acted upon with reasonable convenience from the Navy's standpoint.

I shall be headquartered at this office until mid-February; and thereafter at Union Air Terminal, Burbank, California, in connection with final preparations for the flight.

You understand, of course, that the entire project remains for the present confidential.

Capt. A.C. Pickens,
U.S. Navy,
Chief of Staff, U.S. Fleet,
U.S.S. Pennsylvania, Flagship,
San Pedro, California.

Sincerely,

G.P. Putnam

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Staff.

1. In connection with the proposed flight, the Commander-in-Chief may render assistance in the following ways:

- (a) Provide observations of winds aloft by ordering aerographers, (one man with pilot balloon gear to each ship), to several of the ships transiting the Pacific during March. Information of wind conditions aloft along the route would be of great assistance in planning the flight and, also, during the flight if radio communication is maintained. Below is a list of the prospective movements for March:

West Coast to Pearl Harbor.

20 February - 2 March	- KANAWHA	- NYPH to San Diego.
20 " - 1 "	- BRAZOS	- San Pedro to NYPH.
3-13 March	- BRAZOS	- NYPH to San Diego.
7-13 "	- ARCTIC	- NYPH to San Francisco.
9-14 "	- DESDIV-19	- NYMI to NYPH.
10-20 "	- NECHES	- San Diego to NYPH.
12-22 "	- KANAWHA	- San Diego to NYPH.
13-22 "	- ARCTIC	- NYPH to San Francisco.
20-30 "	- CUYAMA	- NYPH to San Diego.
22 March - 1 April	- NECHES	- NYPH to San Diego.
24 " - 2 "	- KANAWHA	- NYPH to San Pedro.
25 " - 7 "	- HENDERSON	- Guam to Honolulu.

An aerographer in the BRAZOS, NECHES, and KANAWHA would ensure adequate information of winds aloft.

- (b) Direct all Naval vessels transiting the Pacific to make surface reports every six hours as at present for Pan American Airways during the present strike.
- (c) Send an aerographer from Fleet Air Base, Pearl Harbor, with expeditionary equipment to Howland Island in the Coast Guard Cutter leaving Honolulu just prior to flight. This man would provide special surface and upper air reports of extreme value to the flight from Honolulu to Howland Island. The information obtained while down there would be of great value for future patrol plane operations since we have very little weather data over this area.
- (d) An aerographer in the ARCTIC on the trip to Samoa 30 January to 22 March would provide additional data from Pearl Harbor

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to Samoa and if the flight were scheduled between 13-22 March, additional observations, surface and aloft, from Pearl Harbor to San Francisco.

2. It is not known what arrangements are being made to obtain weather reports along the route. Surface reports and upper air data will be required from San Francisco to Pearl Harbor, Howland Island, South Sea Islands, (to watch for tropical hurricanes, frequent this season of the year), and Australia. Naval radio facilities at Samoa are available to collect and forward the South Sea Islands reports direct to Naval Radio at Pearl Harbor for further transmission to Oakland.

Special arrangements will have to be made to receive the Australian weather reports and such other reports as may be available over the route from Howland Island to New Guinea, since all Australian weather broadcasts are sent out on low frequency of limited range (probably 800 miles).

3. The files do not show any Naval vessels which will be in the general vicinity between Honolulu and Howland, or between Howland and British Guinea, during this month. The ONTARIO is at Tutuila and the GOLD STAR and PENGUIN at Guam; both about 1400 miles from the general route.

4. Lieutenant E.W. Stephens is attached to the WRIGHT and will be enroute to and in the Canal Zone Area during most of February and March (2 February to 27 March). Other officers qualified for this assignment are:

- (a) Lt.Comdr. C. J. Maguire, Naval Air Station, San Diego.
- (b) Lieutenant Arnold E. True, Fleet Air Base, Pearl Harbor.
- (c) Lieutenant Robert O. Minter, Staff Commander Battle Force.
- (d) Lieutenant T. J. Raftery, Naval Air Station, Anacostia, D.C.

Lieutenant Raftery has had the most experience with Pacific weather. He was at Pearl Harbor for two years and Scouting Force Aerologist for two years. However, he is on duty at Anacostia. The other officers have had several years of aerological duty.

In view of the fact that the RANGER, LANGLEY, and LEXINGTON aerological units will be in the San Diego area during March, one officer could be made available for this assignment.

5. Several confidential reports of weather conditions from Pearl Harbor to Samoa, including Lieutenant Stephens' report, are available in our files.

Respectfully,


H. T. ORVILLE,
Lieutenant, U. S. Navy.

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