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The Navy search for the Harbert plane ended Sunday afternoon, July 18th, upon completion of the general plan for the search.

Considerations of fuel and logistics for the vessels involved were weighed against probabilities of the location of the plane, based on careful evaluation of all the information available. The area to be covered was, and is still, considered adequate to include any reasonable conclusion as to the location where the plane landed and the subsequent drift of the plane or its boats.

It is believed that the search as conducted in the area decided upon was efficient, and that it establishes beyond a reasonable doubt that neither the plane nor its personnel were above water in the area searched. It was manifestly impracticable to investigate numerous highly improbable locations which have been submitted by various individuals. It is appreciated that such suggestions have been inspired by the widespread interest in the distinguished flyers and a sincere desire to aid in their rescue, but none of them has submitted any concrete information to override the established facts and rational conclusions concerning the flight.

Navy planes have flown more than 1500 hours or 150,000 miles. Naval and Coast Guard vessels have steamed upward of 80,000 miles. They have closely searched an area approximately the size of the state of Texas.

It is believed that the scope and conduct of the search has covered all reasonable possibilities and that it is appropriate to terminate the very considerable effort involved, although unhappily this effort has not met with that success so keenly desired and which would have been ample reward for all those participating in the search.

It is a source of gratification that, despite unfavorable and sometimes hazardous conditions, the skillful conduct of the operations by those actually engaged therein has avoided any further loss of life or serious injury to personnel or material.

AC-3 / Earhart

25 JULY 1937

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TO 1- OTHAV

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YOUR 2019 1431 REPORT WILL BE FORWARDED BY JULY

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FROM: COMDESRON 2
TO : COMFOURTEEN
INFO: COMDESDIV 3
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0017 POSITION LATITUDE ONE TWENTY SIX NORTH LONGITUDE ONE
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ROUTE SLIP # 5918

Subject: Message re Amelia Earhart from spiritual medium.

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Mrs. M. Kirkley	<i>Kirkley</i>			8-4-37
To : Honolulu Navy Dept.				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>Att-3/ Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00)...	✓			<i>K</i>	(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)...					(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03)...					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11)...					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11)...					(5) Recommendation
...Dist. Operations & Personnel Officer (12)...					(6) Information & Ret.
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...Inspector of Ordnance(90)...					
...District Chief Clerk		(11)			
...Chief Yeoman (Personnel)					

*Two dispatches were received.
No acknowledgment*

File →

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*Navy Department
Hawaii*

Declassified NND Project 795039

64 Elizabeth St
Melbourne
Victoria —

To Harry Honolulu

I sent you Cable 9th July 10 hours
west of Howland some unknown
Island. Maybe you believe me
a crank that is not so. I have
not means to be sending Cables.
19th July. Ellice Island has news.
that is so, I am a Medium, my
life has been given to research work.
Mr Putman was alive on 4th —
Passed to higher life about 10th
Noonan died first.
Native boat from Ellice Island.
Buried them, they have the
news. Maybe you wait here for
time, depends on what they are
doing. I have not need to fake
or manufacture news.
They were starving.
If you are not interested
Please tell Mr Putman about
Ellice Is

It is dreadful, to think no one
would help me here, they could
have been saved;

Even this is a great delay.

Yours Respectfully

J^{rs} M. Kirkley

Spiritual Medium

They have no wires
on that boat

I should think, by Spirit message
they are exact people

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AIRCRAFT, BATTLE FORCE
U. S. S. LEXINGTON

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At Sea,

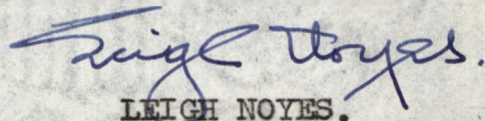
JUL 21 1937

From: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LEXINGTON.
To : Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District.
Via : Commander Lexington Group.

Subject: Tracing of Chart Track of Lexington and attached Aircraft during Earhart Search - 13 - 18 July 1937, inclusive, forwarding of.

Reference: (a) Comfourteen Dispatch 0020-0957 of July 1937.

1. In accordance with reference (a), one tracing of Track Chart of U.S.S. LEXINGTON showing area searched by attached aircraft is forwarded herewith.

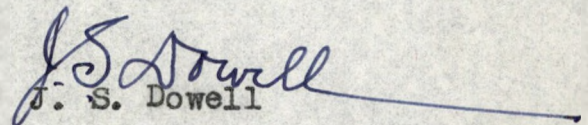


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FIRST ENDORSEMENT. U.S.S. LEXINGTON, Enroute Hawaiian Area.
HL 23 July 1937.

From: Commander Lexington Group.
To : Commandant Fourteenth Naval District.

1. Forwarded.


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From: Commander Lexington Group.
 To : Commandant Fourteenth Naval District.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
AIRCRAFT, BATTLE FORCE
U. S. S. LEXINGTON

At Sea,

JUL 21 1937

From: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LEXINGTON.
To : Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District.
Via : Commander Lexington Group.
Subject: Tracing of Chart Track of Lexington and attached
Aircraft during Earhart Search - 13 - 18 July 1937,
inclusive, forwarding of.
Reference: (a) Comfourteen Dispatch 0020-0057 of July 1937.

1. In accordance with reference (a), one tracing of
Track Chart of U.S.S. LEXINGTON showing area searched by attached
aircraft is forwarded herewith.

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HI 23 July 1937.

From: Commander Lexington Group.
To : Commandant: Fourteenth Naval District.

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U. S. S. LEXINGTON

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JUL 21 1937

From: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LEXINGTON.
To : Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District.
Via : Commander Lexington Group.
Subject: Tracing of Chart Track of Lexington and attached
Aircraft during Earhart Search - 15 - 19 July 1937,
inclusive, forwarding of.
Reference: (a) Comfourteen Dispatch 0020-0937 of July 1937.

1. In accordance with reference (a), one tracing of
Track Chart of U.S.S. LEXINGTON showing area searched by attached
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HI 23 July 1937.

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To : Commandant Fourteenth Naval District.

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ROUTE SLIP #

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Subject: Organization of Lexington group discontinued on
hoisting your pennant in Lamson on Tuesday or Wednesday; etc.
REPORT FOR DUTY.

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0021 - 1400		
From: Comdesron 2			7-21-37	7-21-37
To : Comdescofor				
Via :			Our File No. <i>443/Eachunt</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
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...District Legal Officer (03)...					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard (11)...					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S. (11)...					(5) Recommendation
...Dist. Operations & Personnel Officer (12)...	✓	<i>COSF</i>		✓	(6) Information & Ret.
...Dist. War Plans Officer (14)...					(7) See me
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...C. O. Marine Barracks (86)...					
...Inspector of Ordnance (90)...					
...District Chief Clerk					
...Chief Yeoman (Personnel)					

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Subject: Req. Fleet Air Base charts in conn. Earhart search

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Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0121-2200		
From: FAB PH			7-21-37	7-22-37
To : LEXINGTON				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>443/Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
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...Port Director N.T.S.(11).....	<i>/</i>			<i>8</i>	(5) Recommendation
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FROM: FABPH
TO: LEXINGTON

RETRANSMITTED
FROM: FABPH
TO: COMFOURTEEN

NITE GR 28

0121 YOUR 1020 1715 TO COMFOURTEEN REQUEST FLEETAIBASE
CHARTS TOGETHER WITH COMPLETE INFORMATION CONCERNING AREAS
SEARCHED BY LEXINGTON BE FORWARDED THIS BASE VIA
CONTACTING VESSEL OFF PEARLHARBOR 2200

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ROUTE SLIP # 5562

Subject: Re: Weather forecast given EARHART

Letter No. XXXXXXXX Enclosure No. XXX	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Black		7/21/37	7/22/37
To : Miller			
Via :		Our File No.	24-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Done Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				K	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
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FOLLOWING FOR MILLER DOUBLE QUOTE HERE COPY MSG GIVING
 FORECAST FOR JULY FIRST FROM LT TRUE FAB QUOTE FOR EARHART
 LAE ACCURATE FORECAST DIFFICULT ACCOUNT LACK OF REPORTS YOUR
 VICINITY PERIOD CONDITIONS APPEAR GENERALLY AVERAGE OVER ROUTE
 NO MAJOR STORMS APPARENT PERIOD PARTLY (50) CLOUDY SKIES WITH
 DANGEROUS LOCAL RAIN SQUALLS ABOUT THREE HUNDRED MILES EAST
 LAE AND SCATTERED HEAVY SHOWERS REMAINDER OF ROUTE PERIOD
 WINDS ESE ABOUT TWENTYFIVE KNOTS TO ONTARIO AND THEN E TO ENE
 ABOUT TWENTY KNOTS TO HOWLAND 0735 UNQUOTE WILL ANSWER SIX
 QUESTIONS YOUR RADIO IN ORDER AS (100) FOLLOWS ANSWER ONE
 VOICE FIRST HEARD ON 3105 TO 248 AM FRAGMENTARY THEN FAIRLY
 GOOD FROM SIX FOURTEEN THEN CLEAR FROM SEVEN THIRTY UNTIL LAST
 WITH SIGNAL STRENGTH FIVE PERIOD ANSWER TWO ONLY VOICE SIGNALS
 RECEIVED FROM EARHART ALTHOUGH ITASCA REPEATEDLY ASKED FOR KEY
 SIGNALS ON 500 TO MAKE USE (150) OF SHIP DIRECTION FINDER
 POSSIBLE PERIOD ANSWER THREE LAST RECEPTION EARHART 844 TO
 846 FOLLOWS QUOTE WE ON THE LINE OF POSITION 157 DASH 337 WILL
 REPEAT THIS MESSAGE WE WILL REPEAT THIS MESSAGE ON 6210
 KILOCYCLES WE ARE RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH UNQUOTE NOTHING WAS
 HEARD ON 6210 KILOCYCLES (200) ACKNOWLEDGED OUR SIGNALS ONLY
 ONCE AT 803 PERIOD ITASCA ASKED ON EVERY TRANSMISSION THAT SHE
 ACKNOWLEDGE ANSWER FIVE NOT TO OUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWER SIG
 DIRECTION FINDER I BORROWED FROM NAVY WAS MANNED BY USCG
 OPERATOR ON HOWLAND ALL NIGHT BUT NO POSITIVE RECEPTION UNTIL
 710 AND THEN TRANSMISSIONS TOO BRIEF (250) TO GET BEARINGS AN
 ADDED DIFFICULTY PLANE SIGNAL HUNDRED PERCENT MODULATED SO NO
 ADEQUATE CARRIER FOR GETTING BEARING AND AS BEFORE STATED NO KEY
 SIGNALS PERIOD HERE WEATHER HOWLAND JULY FIRST BAR 29.81 TEMP
 DRY 87 WET 78 TWO TENTHS CUMULAS SURFACE WIND ENE 14 ALOFT BY
 THOUSANDS ENE 18 (300) ENE 19 ENE 24 ENE 26 ENE 25 ENE 30 ENE
 31 JULY SECOND 29.81 DB7 WB1 FIVE TENTHS CUMULUS SURFACE ESE 16
 ONE ESE 15 TWO E 17 CLOUDS AT 2050 FEET PERIOD BOTH NOON
 OBSERVATIONS PERIOD SUGGEST CONTACT ~~LEAST~~ ~~AND~~ HEADQUARTERS
 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON TEXT OF RADIO (350) CONTACT V
 EARHART END DOUBLE UNQUOTE SIGNED BLACK

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ROUTE SLIP #

5701

Subject: Re: Search for Amelia Earhart and Noonan

Letter No. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Surgest Aker	7/20/37	7/26/37
To : United States Naval Base, Honolulu		
Via :	Our File No. <i>at 3/ Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commandant (00).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<i>W 24</i>	(1) Action
....Chief of Staff (01).....					(2) Prepare Reply
....District Legal Officer (03).....					(3) Prepare End.
....Captain of the Yard (11).....					(4) Comment
....Port Director N.T.S. (11).....					(5) Recommendation
....Dist. Operations & Personnel Officer (12).....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				(6) Information & Ret.
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War Plans

July 20, 1937.

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United State Naval Base
Honolulu

Dear Sir:-

Since Amelia Earhart's mishap has about been given up please take this advice from me and search just once more. Search ^{within a radius of} 150 miles on either side of the equator. Have airplane fly low and look out for three sand banks on a small island in this vicinity it must be done soon for

the couple are failing rapidly the man no longer being the wiser off.

I'm appealing to you because these people contributed to progress of mankind not because I'm looking for publicity or the like.

You have done so much so just a little more ~~we~~ won't hurt. but be quick. They have been passed over three or four times and have an improvised signal rigged up so please look closely for a small island on this side of the equator.

Yours truly
Sargent Akay
32 Richards St.
New London, Ct.

42-43—S/M Base, PH.—2-12-37—6000.

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ROUTE SLIP #

5496

Subject: Position report - USS SWAN

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Swan		1019-1200	7/19/37	7/19/37
To : Com14				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>U-3/Enlight</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....	✓			<i>✓</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
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...Captain of the Yard(11).....	✓			<i>gaw</i>	(4) Comment
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FROM; SWAN
TO; COM14.
INFO; EAB PH

1019 POSIT 0430 NORTH 7916 WEST 1200

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Chief 7800
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Capt 7 yard
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att. 3/Colbert

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20 JULY 37

FROM; COM14.
TO; COMDESRON 2, COLORADO, ITASCA, SWAN, LEXINGTON.

0020 UNITS ADDRESSED REQUESTED TO SUBMIT TRACINGS OF TRACK CHARTS SHOWING
AREAS COVERED AND DATES IN EARTHART SEARCH USING CHART SCALE ONE DEGREE EQUAL
ONE AND ONE QUARTER INCHES OR NEAREST SCALE AVAILABLE 0957

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ROUTE SLIP #

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Subject: Search for Earhart was terminated

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: OPNAV		1320-1330	7-20-37	7-20-37
To : Naval Attache, Tokyo				
Via :			Our File No. <i>af-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
Commandant (00)	✓			<i>mm</i>	(1) Action
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District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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Port Director N.T.S. (11)	✓			<i>pp</i>	(5) Recommendation
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NPM NR 32 20 JULY 1937 Z MOTH V MUSK Q TORY NITE GR 32

FROM; OPNAV.
TO; NAVAL ATTACHE ~~XXXXX~~ TOKYO -N I T E -
INFO; COM14.

1320 OUR SEARCH FOR MISSING FLYERS WAS TERMINATED AFTERNOON
OF EIGHTEEN JULY EXPRESS TO NAVY DEPARTMENT TOKYO THE
APPRECIATION OF THIS DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR ACTION IN MAKING
MOSHU AVAILABLE FOR SEARCH 1330

TOD 1320

*Chief of Staff
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ROUTE SLIP #

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Subject: Will submit to you complete report search operations
upon arrival Pearl Harbor

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0020 - 1638	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: COMDESRON 2			7-20-37	7-21-37
To : COMFOURTEEN				
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/ Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
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Subject: Coml4 0020-0958 requests tracings of track charts forwarded Comdesron2 via Cushing be forwarded Coml4. Advise if unable comply

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Colorado		1029-1324	7/20/37	7/20/37
To : Comdesron2				
Via :			Our File No. 44.3/Carbant	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00)	✓			PM	(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)					(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03)					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11)					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11)					(5) Recommendation
...Dist. Operations & Personnel Officer (12)					(6) Information & Ret.
...Dist. War Plans Officer(14)	✓			H	(7) See me
...Aide(15)					(8) Previous Data
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Subject: Requests tracking for track chart forwarded COMDESRON 2

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Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		2020 - 1545		
From: Comdesron 2			7-20-37	7-21-37
To : COLORADO	PRIORITY			
Via : INFO:	COMFOURTEEN	NITE	Our File No.	04.3/E

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00)...	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)...				W	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03)...					(3) Prepare End.
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5453

Subject: Connection EARHART search - please furnish Department detailed information showing all areas searched and dates.

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		3819-1430		
From: OpNav			7/19/37	7/19/37
To : Com14				
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓			✓	(1) Action
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...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11).....					(4) Comment
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ROUTE SLIP # 5457

Subject: Lexington group reports for duty.

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0019-1100		
From: Comdesron2			7/19/37	7/19/37
To : CinCUS				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>443/ Contact</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00)...	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)...				K	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03)...					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11)...	/				(4) Comment
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NECX NEDV NIKM TORY P F5L GR 73 ::

FROM: COMDESRON 2
 TO: CINCUS- PRIORITY-
 INFO: COMDESCOFOR, COMBATEFOR, COMSCOFOR, COMAIRBATFOR, COMNAV, DRAYTON, LAMSON,
 CUSHING, LEXINGTON, COM14 - R O U T I N E-

0019 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
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 SANDIEGO ONE AUGUST 1100

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ROUTE SLIP # 5459

Subject: Departures from search area
 LEXINGTON, DRAYTON, LAMSON, CUSHING for Hawaiian area

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: MRO Honolulu		1719-1230		
To : Com14			7/19/37	7/19/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>af-3/Edhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
Commandant (00)	✓			✓	(1) Action
Chief of Staff (01)					(2) Prepare Reply
District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
Captain of the Yard (11)					(4) Comment
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FROM; MRO HONOLULU

1719 64 PEARL DEPARTURES FROM SEARCH AREA COMDESRON TWO IN
LEXINGTON COMDESDIV THREE IN DRAYTON LAMSON CUSHING
FOR HAWAIIAN AREA 1230

MRO/D.

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Dr
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Subject: Schedule in your 0019-1100 approved. ⁵⁴⁹⁷ Organization of Lexington group discontinued on hoisting your pennant in Lamson on Tuesday or Wednesday. Comdesron 2 and Lexington report to immediate seniors in Fleet organization

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		1119-1710	7/19/37	7/19/37
From: CincUS				
To : CDR 2				
Via :				
			Our File No. <i>243/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant (00).....	✓				(1) Action
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...District Legal Officer (03).....					(3) Prepare End.
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FROM: CINCUS

D5P MUSK TORY P GR 36 28

TO: CDR2

INFO: COMDESCOFOR, COMBATFOR, COMSCOFOR, COMAIBATFOR, OPNAV, COMFOURTEEN

P R I O R I T Y

1119 SCHEDULE IN YOUR 0019 1100 APPROVED PERIOD
 ORGANIZATION OF LEXINGTON GROUP DISCONTINUED ON HOISTING
 YOUR PENNANT IN LAMSON ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY PERIOD
 COMDESRON TWO AND LEXINGTON REPORT TO IMMEDIATE SENIORS
 IN FLEET ORGANIZATION 1710

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TOD 1544

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ROUTE SLIP # 5461

Subject: The Lexington group appreciates your 0019-0945

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0019-1200	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2			7/19/37	7/19/37
To : Coml4			Our File No. <i>inf-3/Earhart</i>	
Via :				

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓			<i>mm</i>	(1) Action
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FROM; COMDESRON 2. NEDV NIKM GR 9.33
TO; COM14.
INFO; COMDESDIV 3, DRAYTON, LAMSON, CUSHING, LEXINGTON.

0019 THE LEXINGTON GROUP APPRECIATES YOUR 0019 0945 1200

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Subject: Your 9519 1130 about 28 July
(Arrival of SWAN)

5499

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 1019-1435	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: SWAN			7/19/37	7/20/37
To : FAB PH				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>443/Carhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00)...	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)...				✓	(2) Prepare Reply
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NITE GR 8 11

FROM: SWAN
TO: FASPH
INFO: COM-FOURTEEN

1019 YOUR 9519 1130 ABOUT TWENTYEIGHT JULY 1435

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Capt 7 yard
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Subject: ELLICE ISLAND has news - Putnam

Letter No. XXXXXX Endorsement No. XX		Despatch No.		Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Putnam				7/19/37	7/19/37
To : Navy Dept. Honolulu				Our File No. <i>Att. 3 / Enclat</i>	
Via :					

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
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S/M Base, PH—9-12-35—20M.

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COMMUNICATIONS, FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT
PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII

OGM:LL

Reference

File No. A4-3/BarhartDate July 19 1937, 193.....

FROM: COMFOURTEEN ROUTINE
 TO : COMDESPONTWO
 INFO: LEXINGTON, ~~XXXX~~ BRAYTON, LAMSON, CUSHING.

0019 WELL DONE THANK YOU

0945

NAVDIST PEARLHARBOR

[Handwritten signature]

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Sent Via Originated By Commandant

COMMANDANT'S FILE

S/M Base, PH.—1-11-37—20,000.

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FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT
NAVAL COMMUNICATION OFFICE
NAVY YARD, PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII, U. S. A.

FM :- COM14
TO :- COMDESRON2

18 JULY 1937

INF :- COMDESBIV 3

ØØ18 IF PRACTICABLE REQUEST TRANSFER OF HONOLULU NEWS
CORRESPONDENTS TO DESTROYERS UPON COMPLETION SEARCH OPERATIONS 1214

PM V AD NR 5 T Z P1W V TORY Q C7L GR16

PHONED IN FOR TRANSMISSION
BY:- LTCOMDR REYNOLDS.

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5420

Subject: Position report

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0018-2000	7/18/37	7/19/37
To : Com14				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>At 3/ Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
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...Commandant (00).....	✓				(1) Action
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TO :- COM14.

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Subject: Search today SUNDAY completed as scheduled

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0016-1551	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2			7/18/37	7/19/37
To : Coml4			Our File No. <i>443/Earhart</i>	
Via :				

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>max</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
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TORY V P1W PPPP GR8

FROM :- COMDEBRON2
TO :- COM14

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1018 SEARCH TODAY SUNDAY COMPLETED AS SCHEDULED 1551

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Subject: Commenced search accordance my 0017-2135

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0018-0750		
To : Com14			7/18/37	7/19/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>44-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
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AD HU V PM AD NR7 HU NR11 JULY 18TH 1937:

Z TORY V P1W GR8

FROM: COMDESRON 2
TO : COMFOURTEEN

0018 COMMENCED SEARCH ACCORDANCE MY 0017 2135 0750

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Subject: Your 0018-1214 have arranged to transfer news correspondents to CUSHING

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0018-1205	7/18/37	7/19/38
To :	Coml4			
Via :			Our File No. <i>43/Eorhut</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				<i>mmw</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11).....	✓				(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11).....				<i>mmw</i>	(5) Recommendation
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FM :- COMDESRON2

TO :- COM14

0018 YOUR 0018 1214 HAVE ARRANGED TO TRANSFER NEWS
CORRESPONDENTS TO CUSHING 1205

TOD 1317 D

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FROM COMFOURTEEN
TO : OPNAV

4118 YESTERDAY SEARCH COMPLETED AS SCHEDULED PERIOD TODAY CLEANING UP
RAH HOLE IN AREAS SEARCHED FOURTEENTH FIFTEENTH SEVENTEENTH AND
PROBABLY FILL IN AREAS TO NORTHEAST OF SAME 4920

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Subject: Position report - USS SWAN

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Swan		1018-1200	7/18/37	7/19/37
To :				
Via :			Our File No.	Att-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				mt	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard (11)					(4) Comment
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Z TORY V NIJP Q HUNT GR 7 ::

FROM: SWAN
TO : COMFOURTEEN
INFO: FAS PEARLHARBOR

1018 POSITION 0028 NORTH 17600 EAST 1200

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for
Intell
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5440

Subject: Tentative plan for Sunday

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0017-2135		
From: Comdesron2			7/17/37	7/19/37
To : Drayton, Cushing, Lamson, Lexington				
Via :			Our File No.	Off. 3/ Carhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
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...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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FROM: COMDESRON 2
TO : DRAYTON, CUSHING
: LAMSON, LEXINGTON
INFO: COMFOURTEEN

- GO17 FOLLOWING IS TENTATIVE PLAN FOR TOMORROW SUNDAY
EFFECTIVE ONLY IF AND WHEN DIRECTED USE PLAN NUMBER ONE POINT
AFIRM TWO DEGREES FIFTY MINUTES NORTH ONE SEVENTY SEVEN FIFTY
EAST BASE COURSE FOUR FIVE RIGHT FLANK CUSHING LEFT FLANK
DRAYTON WITH CARRIER LAMSON 2135

TOD 0635

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ROUTE SLIP # 5442

Subject: Reporting area search on 17th

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0017-1825		
To : Coml4			7/17/37	7/19/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>44-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	<i>/</i>				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>mae</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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Z TORY V P1W Q C7L GR 72

FROM: COMDESRON 2
TO : COMFOURTEEN
INFO: COMDESDIV 3

0017 AREA SEARCHED TODAY LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY FIVE TEN
EAST TO ONE SEVENTY SIX THIRTY EAST BETWEEN LATITUDES ZERO
TWENTY EIGHT SOUTH AND TWO THIRTY NORTH COMMA LONGITUDE ONE
SEVENTY SIX THIRTY TO ONE SEVENTY SEVEN FORTY EIGHT EAST
BETWEEN LATITUDES ZERO TWELVE NORTH AND TWO FORTY FIVE NORTH
COMMA LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY SEVEN FORTY FIVE TO ONE SEVENTY
EIGHT EIGHTEEN EAST BETWEEN LATITUDES ZERO TWELVE NORTH AND
ONE EIGHTEEN NORTH 1825

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Subject: Position report

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0017-2000	7/17/37	7/19/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>att-3/Carhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>LM</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard (11)					(4) Comment
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Subject: Following from PUTNAM "request you secure definite confirmation that region requested will be searched also southern Gilberts especially Beru and islands adjacent"

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 8017-1235	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdr. San Francisco Division Coast Guard			7/17/37	7/19/37
To : Coml4, etc				
Via :			Our File No. <i>24-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant (00).....	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01).....				<i>WHL</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard (11).....					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S. (11).....	/				(5) Recommendation
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FROM; COMDR SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION COAST GUARD.
TO; COM14, COMDESRON 2.

8017 FOLLOWING FROM PUTNAM QUOTE REQUEST YOU SECURE DEFINITE
CONFIRMATION THAT REGION REQUESTED WILL BE SEARCHED ALSO
SOUTHERN GILBERTS ESPECIALLY BERU AND ISLANDS ADJACENT

UNQUOTE 1235

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Subject: Report on area to be covered on Saturday

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0017-1130		
To : Com14			7/17/37	7/19/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>Inf 3/ East</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01).....				<i>WIC</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard (11).....					(4) Comment
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Z TORY V P1W Q C7L GR 108 ::

FROM: COMDESDIV 2
 TO : COMFOURTEEN
 INFO: COMDESDIV 3

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0017 CONTINUING AS SCHEDULED MY 0016 1639 EXPECT TO
 COVER FOLLOWING AREA TODAY SATURDAY BETWEEN LATITUDES ZERO
 ZERO THIRTY SOUTH AND TWO THIRTY NORTH LONGITUDE ONE SEVEN
 FIVE TWELVE EAST AND ONE SEVEN EIGHT EAST TOMORROW SUNDAY
 WILL CLEAN UP RAIN HOLES IN AREAS SEARCHED FOURTEENTH AND
 FIFTEENTH AND SEVENTEENTH (50) AND PROBABLY FILL IN AREA TO
 NORTHEASTWARD AT SAME TIME THIS WILL INSURE COVERAGE MOST
 PROBABLE AREAS AND SHOULD BE DONE FUEL SUPPLY ADEQUATE FOR TWO
 DAYS LONGER THAN ORIGINALLY ESTIMATED DUE EXCELLENT ECONOMY
 IN OPERATION ALL VESSELS FLYING CONDITIONS AVERAGE TODAY
 WEATHER CONDITIONS TO EASTWARD DOUBTFUL PROBABLY GROWING
 WORSE (100) COMPLETION ABOVE PLANS DEPENDENT SOLEY ON
 WEATHER 1130

TOD 1324

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FROM: COM14:
TO: OPHAV.

0017 SWAN COMPLETED SEARCH SOUTHERN GILBERTS HAS BEEN RELIEVED FURTHER
SEARCH DUTY NOW PROCEEDING PEARL HARBOR ITASCA RELIEVED SEARCH DUTIES
DIRECTED REPORT HAWAIIAN SECTION COAST GUARD NOW PROCEEDING HOWLAND PERIOD
LEXINGTON YESTERDAY COMPLETED FOLLOWING AREA LATS 0230 AND 0530 NORTH LONGS
17820 AND 17545 EAST TODAY'S PLAN POINT OF ORIGIN LAT 0100 NORTH LONG 17526
EAST BASE COURSE EAST 0000/000

NPM NR T 2 MUSK V TORY PP OR 55

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17 JULY 27

FROM: COM14.
TO: COM SANITARY DIV CG
INFO: COMDESTRON 2.

0017 YOUR 0017 1425 REQUEST IMPRACTICABLE SEARCH AREA REQUESTED ALL
GILBERT ISLANDS HAVE BEEN RESEARCHED 1100

HPM RR T 2 QUAD V TORY Q PTW 0010

at/Earhart

OFFICIAL DISPATCH
FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT
NAVAL COMMUNICATION OFFICE
NAVY YARD, PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII, U. S. A.

16 JULY 1937.

FM :- COMFOURTEEN
TO :- ITASCA

P R I O R I T Y

INFO :- COMHAWNSEC (USCG)

ØØ16 YOU ARE RELEASED FROM FURTHER SEARCH DUTY REPORT TO COMMANDER
HAWAIIAN SECTION COAST GUARD FOR ORDERS YOUR EXCELLENT AND
EFFICIENT SERVICES GREATLY APPRECIATED THANK YOU 1706

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Subject: Forecast search area - Friday

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Lexington		9516-1410	7/16/37	7/19/37
To : Comdesron2				
Via :			Our File No.	04.3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				mm	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11).....					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11).....	✓				(5) Recommendation
...Dist. Operations & Personnel Officer (12).....				97	(6) Information & Ret.
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AD NR 56 FA NR 36 16 JULY 1937 Z D6K V NIKM Q HUNT P GR 66

FM :- LEXINGTON
TO :- COMDEBRON2
INFO:- FAB PH

9516 FORECAST SEARCH AREA TODAY AND TONIGHT BROKEN CLOUDS
BECOMING MOSTLY OVERCAST LATE THIS AFTERNOON OR TONIGHT
SCATTERED SHOWERS DURING EARLY FORENOON FOLLOWED BY HEAVY RAIN
LATE THIS AFTERNOON OR TONIGHT VISIBILITY 20 MILES BECOMING
REDUCED TO 1 MILE DURING RAIN SURKAGE WIND EASTERLY 12 TO 20
KNOTS WINDS ALOFT EASTERLY 20 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS MOSTLY
AVERAGE BECOMING UNDESIREABLE TO BAD LATE AFTERNOON OR
EVENING 1410

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LL Subject: Earhart search - Appreciation of Itasca having
served under Comfourteen

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Itasca		6016 1812		
To : Coml4			16 July '37	19 July 1937
Via :			Our File No. <i>all of Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	/			<i>WKL</i>	(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....					(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11).....					(4) Comment
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FM :- ITASCA
TO :- COM14
INFO :- COMHAWNSEC.

6016 YOUR 0016 1706 APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY OF HAVING SERVED
UNDER YOUR COMMAND AND REGRET WE HAVE NOT HAD MORE SUCCESS
WITH MISSION 1812

TOD 1955 D

*Comdt
Chief 7 Sts B*

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5401

Subject: Searching as scheduled

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0016-0680	7/16/37	7/16/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No.	44.3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓			WMC	(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)					(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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FROM; COMDESRON 2.
TO; COMT4.

0016 SEARCHING AS SCHEDULED 0630

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Subject: SWAN requests permission return to Base

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Swan		1016-1520		
To : Com14			7/16/37	7/18/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>14-3/Eachant</i>	

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TO :- COMT4
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Subject: ITASCA reporting for duty in connection COMDESRON2
0016-1505

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Itasca		1016-1529		
To : Com14			7/16/37	7/18/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>Wf 3/ Earhart</i>	

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TO :- COM74
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Subject: Reference my 8015-2535 PUTNAM requests ITASCA search area if practicable to use planes

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		8016-1320		
From: ComSanFranDiv			7/16/37	7/18/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No.	Chf 3/ Earhart

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TO :- COM14

8016 REFERENCE MY 8015 2335 PUTNAM REQUESTS ITASCA SEARCH
AREA IF IMPRACTICABLE TO USE PLANES 1320

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Subject: Use search plan No.1 - Saturday

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2		0016-1639		
To : Comdesdiv3, e8c			7/16/37	7/19/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>af. 3/ East</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
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TO :- COMDESOIV 3 -DRAYTON-LAMSON -CUSHING- LEXINGTON
INF :- COM14.

0016 USE SEARCH PLAN NUMBER ONE TOMORROW SATURDAY POINT
AFIRM LATITUDE ONE NORTH LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY FIVE THIRTY
SIX EAST BASE COURSE EAST CUSHING RIGHT FLANK LAMSON
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ROUTE SLIP # 5430

LL Subject: Earhart search - return of Itasca

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: ComHawSec		6016 1722	16 July '37	19 July '37
To : Itasca			Our File No. <i>44-3/Earhart</i>	
Via : Info: Coml4				

From:	To	For	Done		
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...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>WKK</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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FROM: COMHAWSEC INFO: COMFOURTEEN NITE: COM14
TO: ITASCA

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ROUTE SLIP #

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Subject: SWAN and ITASCA - Your services no longer required report
Coml4 for orders

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2		0016-1505	7/16/37	7/19/37
To : SWAN - ITASCA				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>Att-3/Carhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>W</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
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TO :- SWAN - ITASCA

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INF:- COM14

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ROUTE SLIP # 5447

Subject: Report in connection with search - GILBERT GROUP -
by SWAN

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0016-2000	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: CDR2			7/16/37	7/19/37
To : Com14				
Via :			Our File No. <i>44.3/Earhart</i>	

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Z FORY V P1W Q C7L GR 124

FROM: CDR2

TO: COMFOURTEEN

INFO: CDD3

0016 SWAN SEARCHED TAPUTEUEA AND ONUTT THUS COMPLETING
 SEARCH OF GILBERT BY SURFACE CRAFT RESULTS AIRCRAFT SEARCH
 TODAY / ^{NEGATIVE} LIMITS OF SEARCH TODAY LATITUDE TWO THIRTY AND FIVE
 THIRTY NORTH LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY EIGHT TWENTY AND ONE
 SEVENTY FIVE FORTY FIVE EAST ITASCA WAS ASKED BY DESPATCH
 AT 0910 TODAY TO SUBMIT ESTIMATE MOST PROBABLE POSITION
 AS OF NOON TODAY FRIDAY FIRSTLY EARHART PLANE AND SECONDLY
 EARHART RUBBER BOAT REPLY RECEIVED GAVE AREA BOUNDED BY
 LINES BETWEEN FOLLOWING FOUR POINTS TWO NORTH ONE SEVENTY
 NINE THIRTY EAST FIVE NORTH ONE SEVENTY EIGHT FIFTEEN EAST
 FIVE NORTH ONE SEVENTY FIVE FORTY FIVE EAST TWO NORTH ONE
 SEVENTY SEVEN EAST CONSIDER THIS A VERY INTERESTING
 COINCIDENCE SINCE NO PREVIOUS COMMUNICATION WITH ITASCA IN
 THIS REGARD 2000

EARHART.

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Subject: Well done - bon voyage

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0016-1745	7/16/37	7/19/37
To : Swan				
Via :			Our File No.	44-57-Subst

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INF :- COM 14

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Subject: ITASCA enroute Honolulu via HOWLAND - SWAN will complete search GILBERTS today Friday - both have ample fuel reach Honolulu and their services no longer required

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0016-1440	7/16/37	7/19/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No. <i>M-3/Enlist</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
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TO :- COM 14
INF:- SWAN - ITASCA.

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0016 ITASCA ENROUTE HONOLULU VIA HOWLAND SWAN WILL
COMPLETE SEARCH GILBERTS TODAY FRIDAY BOTH HAVE AMPLE FUEL
REACH HONOLULU AND THEIR SERVICES NO LONGER REQUIRED 1440

TOD 1612 -D

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Subject: Your services in search for EARHART PLANE greatly appreciated - consider your performance of duty excellent.

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0016-1747		
To : Itasca			7/16/37	7/19/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>U. 3/ Earhart</i>	

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0016 YOUR SERVICES IN SEARCH FOR LARHANT PLANE GREATLY
APPRECIATED CONSIDER YOUR PERFORMANCE OF DUTY EXCELLENT
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A4-3/PEARHART

Date **16 JULY**, 193**7**

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**0016 YOUR 0015 1850 HAVE YOU FINISHED WITH ITASCA AND WHAT IS HER
PRESENT STATUS QUESTION WHAT IS FUEL STATUS OF ITASCA AND SWAN
YOUR 0013 1910 AND 0013 1855 TO THEM QUESTION COMFOURTEEN MUST BE
KEPT INFORMED IN ORDER TO ISSUE RELEASE ORDERS WHEN SERVICES NO
LONGER REQUIRED**

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NAVDIST PEARLHARBOR

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S/M Base, PH.—9-12-35—20M.

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COMMUNICATIONS, FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT
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*P4-3/EARHART*Date *16 JULY*, 193*7*GOVT
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0016 ITABCA COMPLETED SEARCH NORTHERN GILBERTS SWAN CONTINUING
 SOUTHERN GILBERTS LEXINGTON COMPLETED AS SCHEDULED FOR YESTERDAY
 TODAY STARTS FROM LAT 0400 NORTH LONG ONE SEVEN EIGHT EAST FIRST
 BASE COURSE WEST *0957*

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NAVDIST PEARLHARBOR

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Sent Via Originated By *Comdt.*

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15 JULY 1937

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TO :- COMSANFRANDIV

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INFO :- COMHAWNSEC

0016 REFERENCE YOUR 8016.132, ITASCA HAS BEEN RECEIVED SEARCH DUTY
AND DIRECTED ~~KEAMKXX~~ REPORT HAWAIIAN SECTION IS NOW PROCEEDING HOWLAND
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FM - COMFOURTEEN
TO - SWAN

XX 16 JULY 1937

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INF:- COMDESRON 2

0016 YOU ARE RELEASED FROM FURTHER SEARCH DUTY RETURN TO PEARLHARBOR
YOUR EXCELLENT SERVICES MUCH APPRECIATED 1712

PM NR T Z NIJP V TORY Q P1W P P P P P GR 17

S/M Base, PH.—9-12-35—20M.

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COMMUNICATIONS, FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT
PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII

OGM:G1H

Reference

File No. A4-3/EAPHARTDate July 15, 1937, 193

FROM: COM.14

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TO: OPNAV

0015 SWAN AND ITASCA CONTINUING SEARCH GILBERTS EXPECT TO RELEASE THEM
WHEN AREA COMPLETED PROBABLY SATURDAY LEXINGTON CONTINUING SEARCH AREA
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TODAY'S POINT ORIGIN LAT 0120 NORTH LONG 180 EAST
COURSE NORTH PERIOD PLAN BEING FOLLOWED 62 PLANES FIRST DAY 42 THEREAFTER
PLANES DIVIDED EQUALLY EACH FLANK SPACED 2 MILES SEARCH OUT FROM FLANKS
90 MILES 2 FLIGHTS PER DAY ADVANCING FRONT 240 MILES FIRST DAY 160
THEREAFTER

*1001*NAVDIST PEARLHARBOR *smg*

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Sent Via Originated By Comdt.

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Subject: Position report - USS SWAN.
 Expect make aircraft search as scheduled

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0015-0630		
From: Comdesron2			7/15/37	7/15/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No. <i>af-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
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...Captain of the Yard(11).....					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11).....	/			<i>Q</i>	(5) Recommendation
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INFO; COMDESDIV 3 SWAN, ITASCA

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ROUTE SLIP # 5352

Subject: RATHBURNE assume plane guard SUNNADIN relieved

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: FAB PH		9515-0700	7/15/37	7/15/37
To : Rathburne				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>M. J. Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)	✓			<i>mm</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)	✓				(3) Prepare End.
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FROM: FAB PEARLHARBOR
TO : RATHBURN
: SUNNADIN
INFO: COMSUBRON FOUR
: COMFOURTEEN

9515 RATHBURNE ASSUME PLANE GUARD SUNNADIN RELIEVED Ø7ØØ

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: ZOMIVADIN
TO : KATINOVNIK
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ROUTE SLIP # **5393**

Subject: **Message sent to Commissioner Ocean Island & Sr. Administrative Officer TARAWA ISLAND - re EARHART SEARCH**

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0015-1905	7/15/37	7/16/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No. <i>44-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)				<i>ma</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
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Z TORY V P1W NITE GR 56 :

FROM: COMDESRON 2
TO : COMFOURTEEN

: 0015 COMPLYING WITH REQUEST OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICER GILBERT ISLANDS THE FOLLOWING DESPATCH WAS SENT QUOTE
TM2 GOVT NAVY RESIDENT COMMISSIONER OCEAN ISLAND AND SENIOR
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TARAWA ISLAND ANY INFORMATION YOU MAY
GIVE UNITED STATES VESSELS VISITING GILBERTS IN SEARCH OF
EARHART PLANE WILL BE APPRECIATED DOWELL COMMANDING EARHART
SEARCH GROUP UNQUOTE 1905

Chief of Staff
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Subject: Report re EARHART SEARCH
ITASCA and SWAN

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2		0015-1830		
To : Com14			7/15/37	7/16/37
Via :			Our File No. 443/Earhart	

From:	To	For	Done		
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...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
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Z TORY V P1W Q C7L NIJP NR01 GR 29 :

FROM: COMDESRON 2
TO: COMFOURTEEN
INFO: COMDESDIV 3
: SWAN, ITASCA

: 0015 ITASCA COMPLETED SEARCH NORTHERN GILBERTS AND IS
NOW ENROUTE HOWLAND SWAN SEARCHING ONOTOA AIRCRAFT SEARCH
COMPLETED AS SCHEDULED WILL CONTINUE TO NORTHWESTWARD
TOMORROW FRIDAY MY 0015 1750 1830

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ROUTE SLIP # 5392

Subject: PUTNAM requests if possible arrange immediate plane reconnaissance vicinity 170 degrees east long & about 9 minutes North longitude for drifting plane.

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 8015-2335	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comrandiv			7/15/37	7/16/37
To : Coml4			Our File No. <i>af-3/Earlat</i>	
Via :				

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				<i>WVK</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11).....					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11).....	✓			<i>JS</i>	(5) Recommendation
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FROM: COMFRANDIV
TO : COMFOURTEEN
: COMDESRON 2

8015 FOR REASONS WHICH APPARENTLY POSSESS PLAUSIBILITY
PUTNAM REQUESTS IF POSSIBLE YOU ARRANGE IMMEDIATE PLANE
RECONNAISSANCE VICINITY ONE SEVEN ZERO DEGREES EAST LONGITUDE
AND ABOUT NINE MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE FOR DRIFTING PLANE
PERIOD REQUEST ADVISE RESULTS IF FLIGHT MADE 2335

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Subject: Forecast - search area

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		9515-1005		
From: Lexington			7/15/37	7/15/37
To : Earhart Search Group				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>att. 3/ Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
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...Chief of Staff(01).....				✓	(2) Prepare Reply
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Z D6K V. NIKM Q HUNT GR 44

FROM: LEXINGTON,
 TO: EAPHART SEARCH GROUP,
 INFO: FAB PH

9515 FORECAST SEARCH AREA TODAY AND TONIGHT PARTLY CLOUDY TO
 CLOUDY WITH SCATTERED SHOWERS VISIBILITY 25 MILES EXCEPT IN
 RAIN AREAS SURFACE WIND EAST SOUTHWEST 12 TO 20 KNOTS WINDS
 ALOFT EAST SOUTHEAST 22 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS MOSTLY AVERAGE
 EXCEPT IN RAIN AREAS 1005 100 1250

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ROUTE SLIP # 5397

Subject: Re: messages sent to EARHART from Lae

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 2015-2335	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Navsta Tutuila, Samoa			7/15/37	7/16/37
To :	Comdesron2			
Via :			Our File No.	<i>aff. of Earhart</i>

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FM :- NAVSTA TUTUILA, SAMOA
 TO :- COMDESRON2
 INF :- COM14.

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Q TORY NITE TORY GR 83

- 2015 FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM LAE NG VIA SUVA QUOTE
 FURTHER REFERENCE OUR SERVICE MESSAGE TWELFTH RE FLEET AIR BASE
 PEARL HARBOR TO EARHART SEVENTHREE WORDS FILED 1305 THIRTIETH
 MESSAGES WAS TRANSMITTED TO KHAQO AFTER DEPARTURE THREE TIMES
 BY RADIPHONE AT TEN TWENTYTWO AM ELEVEN TWENTYTWO AM AND
 TWELVE TWENTYTWO PM STOP ALSO MESSAGE CONTAINING WEATHER
 REPORT FROM NAURU WHICH EARHART WAS ANXIOUS GET STOP HAVE
 REASON BELIEVE EARHART RECEIVED THESE ALTHOUGH HER REPI IFS
 WERE JAMMED UNQUOTE THIS SERVICE REFERS FAB 2530 1220 2335

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ROUTE SLIP # 5394

Subject: Suggest that upon release ITASCA by Navy ITASCA
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Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Itasca		6015-2230	7/15/37	7/16/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>M-3/Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				<i>lms</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
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...Port Director N.T.S.(11).....	✓			<i>JD</i>	(5) Recommendation
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FM :- ITASCA
TO :- COMHAWNSEC

6015 SUGGEST THAT UPON RELEASE ITASCA BY NAVY ITASCA
PROCEED SAMOA FOR FOEL IF YOUR OFFICE CAN ARRANGE ITASCA
CONTACT QWTH MATSON LINER PERIOD PROGRAM THEN SAMOA JARVIS
PLANNING HONOLDLU PERIOD OTHERWISE SECOND TRIP NECESSARY AS
JARVIS MUST BE RELIEVED 2230

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Subject: Search Plan No.1 to be used Friday
RE: EARHART FLIGHT

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0015-1750	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron2			7/15/37	7/16/37
To : Comdesdiv3				
Via :			Our File No.	Ad 3/ Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
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FROM: COMDESRON 2
 TO : COMDESDIV 3,
 : LAMSON, CUSHING
 : DRAYTON, LEXINGTON
 INFO: COMFOURTEEN

0015 USE SEARCH PLAN NUMBER ONE TOMORROW FRIDAY POINT AFIRM
 LATITUDE FOUR NORTH LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY EIGHT EAST BASE
 COURSE WEST CUSHING LEFT FLANK LAMSON CARRIER DRAYTON RIGHT
 FLANK ZERO HOUR SEVEN THIRTY PROCEED TO STATIONS 1750

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Subject: Searching operations - SWAN and ITASCA

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0014-1852	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Cdr2			7/14/37	7/15/37
To : Com14				
Via :			Our File No. <i>ad 3/ Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>unseen</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
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FROM: CDR2 Q C7L NIJP NRUI GR 54

TO: COMFOURTEEN INFO: CDD3, SWAN, ITASCA

0014 SWAN SEARCHING NUKUNAU ITASCA SEARCHING KURIA AND
 NANOUKI AIRCRAFT SEARCH TODAY WEDNESDAY COMPLETED AS
 SCHEDULED PERIOD SWAN AND ITASCA CONTINUE GILBERT SEARCH
 INTEMPLETE RELEASING THEM UPON COMPLETION THEIR SEARCH
 OF GILBERTS PERIOD TOMORROW THURSDAY WILL USE PLAN NUMBER
 ONE POINT APTM ONE EIGHT ZERO AND ONE TWENTY NORTH AND
 BASE COURSE NUMBER 3852

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Subject: Hold searchlight drill nightly during 2000 to 2400
 watch also sweep with searchlights for 5 minutes during mid and morning
 watches until further orders

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0014-1858		
From: CDR2			7/14/37	7/15/37
To : Coml4, etc.				
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/ Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
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Z C7L NAKN NECX NEDV NIKM V P1W Q NIJP NRUI TORY GR 26

FROM: CDR2

TO: CDD3CUSHING, LAMSON, DRAYTON, LEXINGTON INFO: SWAN, ITASCA, COMFOURTEEN

0014 HOLD SEARCHLIGHT DRILL NIGHTLY DURING 2000 TO 2400

WATCH ALSO SWEEP WITH SEARCH-LIGHTS FOR FIVE MINUTES

DURING MID AND MORNING WATCHES UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS 1858

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ROUTE SLIP # 5336

Subject: Re: **EARHART SEARCH**
Forecast for search area today

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		9514-0945		
From:	Lexington		7/14/37	7/14/37
To :	Earhart Search Group			
Via :			Our File No.	<i>Ref 3/Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00)...	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01)...				<i>WWE</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03)...					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11)...					(4) Comment
...Port Director N.T.S.(11)...	/			<i>SP</i>	(5) Recommendation
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FROM; LEXINGTON
 TO; EARTH SEARCH GROUP
 INFO; FAB PH

GR 106 ::

Chief 782P
Dr
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9514 FORECAST SEARCH AREA TODAY BROKEN CLOUDS BECOMING
 OVERCAST AT TIMES SCATTERED SHOWERS CEILING MOSTLY UNLIMITED
 VISIBILITY 30 MILES EXCEPT IN RAIN AREAS SURFACE WIND SOUTHEAST
 10 TO 15 KNOTS WINDS ALOFT SOUTH EAST 15 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS
 MOSTLY AVERAGE TONIGHT BROKEN CLOUDS WITH CEILING MOSTLY
 UNLIMITED OCCASIONAL SHOWERS VISIBILITY 20 MILES EXCEPT IN RAIN
 AREAS SURFACE WINDS SOUTHEAST 12 KNOTS WINDS ALOFT SOUTHEAST
 15 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS MOSTLY AVERAGE TOMORROW BROKEN
 CLOUDS BECOMING OVERCAST AT TIMES CEILING MOSTLY UNLIMITED
 SCATTERED SHOWERS VISIBILITY 30 MILES EXCEPT IN RAIN AREAS
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 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS MOSTLY AVERAGE 0945

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ROUTE SLIP # 5334

Subject: All units searching as scheduled

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2		0014-1106	7/14/37	7/14/37
To : Coml4				
Via :			Our File No. <i>143/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)...	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)...				<i>W</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)...					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard (11)...					(4) Comment
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FROM; COMDESRON 2
TO; COM14.

0014 ALL UNITS SEARCHING AS SCHEDULED 1106

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ROUTE SLIP # 5306

Subject: My 2013-1420 quoted message received via Western
Union Telegram and forwarded for information
Re: Earhart Search

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Com1 Com14		2013-1510	7/13/37	7/13/37
To :				
Via :			Our File No.	24.3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				✓	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
...Captain of the Yard(11).....					(4) Comment
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Z NIKM V WIND Q MUSK PPP GR 16 (FOR INFORMATION)

FROM; COM 1.
TO; COM74.
INFO; OPNAV.

2013 MY 2013 1420 QUOTED MESSAGE RECEIVED VIA WESTERN UNION
TELEGRAM AND FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION 1510

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5294

Subject: SUNNADIN assume plane guard duty - AVOCET relieved

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: FAB PH		9513-0830		
To : Avocet, Sunnadin			7/13/37	7/13/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>Inf. 3/Calant</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				✓	(2) Prepare Reply
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FROM; FAB PH
TO; AVOGET, SUNNADIN.
INFO; COMT4.

9513 SUNNADIN ASSUME PLANE GUARD DUTY AVOGET RELIEVED 0830

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ROUTE SLIP #

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Subject: Report on EARHART SEARCH

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2		0013-0730	7/13/37	7/13/38
To :	Com14			
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				mm	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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Z TORY V P1W Q D6K GR 75

FROM; COMDESRON 2.
TO; COM14.
INFO; EARHART GROUP.

0013 SWAN AND ITASCA PROCEEDING AS BEFORE ITASCA SEARCHED TWO
THIRTY SOUTH ONE SEVENTY NINE WEST TO TWO THIRTY FIVE SOUTH
ONE SEVENTY EIGHT EAST VISIBLE FRONT FIFTEEN MILES SWAN TWENTY
HUNDRED POSITION ONE DEGREE EIGHTEEN MINUTES SOUTH ONE
SEVENTY SEVEN FORTY FOUR WEST AT 0636 TODAY LEXINGTON
COMMENCED AIRCRAFT SEARCH AS PLANNED AT ORIGIN TWO DEGREES
THIRTY MINUTES NORTH LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY SEVEN WEST USING
PLANE NUMBER TWO IT WAS SEARCHING GILBERT SWAN ENROUTE 0730

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5297

Subject: Message for USS LEXINGTON - re: Earhart search

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 2013-1420	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Coml To : Lexington			7/13/37	7/13/37
Via :			Our File No. <i>44-3/Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>WWE</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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Z NIKM V WIND Q MUSK PPP GR 52

FROM; COM1.
TO; LEXINGTON.
INFO; OPHAV.

INFORMATION

2013 FROM WINNEPEG MANITOBA QUOTE COMMANDER USS LEXINGTON
REPORT OF AMATEUR RADIO MR HAVER US FRIDAY JULY NINTH GAVE
POSITION 173 W DASH 5 SOUTH ISLAND JESUS IN VICINITY ALSO
ISLAND NAMELESS ON COURSE FARTHER NORTH 171 W DASH 3 S
CONSIDER THESE ISLANDS BE INCLUDED IN SEARCH SIGNED W MCBRYDE

1420

TOD 0945

Chief 7 Staff
Jp
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SPA

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Subject: Orders in connection with search for lost EARHART personnel and plane

USCGC ITASCA

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2		0013-0700	7/13/37	7/13/37
To :				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>Off. 3/ Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	✓				(1) Action
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Z NRUI V P1W Q D6K TOPY PPP GR 73

FROM: COMDESRON 2 TO: ITASCA INFO: EARHART SEARCH GROUP
COM14.

0013 PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH SEARCH FOR LOST EARHART PERSONNEL

AND PLANE SEARCH ARORAI THEN TAMANA THEN ONOTOA ISLANDS THEN
PROCEED TO NORTHWEST AND NORTH ON WEST SIDE OF GILBERT ISLANDS
INVESTIGATING NONUTI KURIA AND MAIANA PUT IN AT TARAWA FOR
INFORMATION THEN INVESTIGATE APIA TARITARI AND MARAKI CONSERVE
FUEL REPORT PROGRESS RENDEZVOUS WITH LEXINGTON IN LATITUDE
ONE DEGREE SOUTH LONGITUDE SEVENTY SEVEN DEGREES EAST FOR
REFUELING ABOUT FIFTEEN HOURS SATURDAY SEVENTEENTH 0700

TOD 0905

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5293

Subject: Swan to proceed immediately to NUKUNAU island in
Gilbert group to search for EARHART plane and personnel

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		0013-0710		
From: Comdesron2			7/13/37	7/13/37
To : Swan				
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00).....	✓				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01).....				Curly	(2) Prepare Reply
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AD V NPM HU NR 46 AD NR 35 13 JULY 1937

Z NIJP V P1W Q D6K TORY PPP GR 51

FROM: COMDESRON 2.

TO: SWAN

P R I O R I T Y

INFO: EARHART GROUP, COMT4.

0013 PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO NUKUNAU ISLAND IN GILBERT GROUP

TO SEARCH FOR LOST EARHART PLANE AND PERSONNEL UPON COMPLETION

SEARCH PERU THEN TAPETEQUEA OR DRUMMOND THEN NONUTI ISLAND

CONSERVE FUEL REPORT PROGRESS RENDEZVOUS WITH LEXINGTON IN

LATITUDE ONE DEGREE SOUTH LONGITUDE ONE SEVENTY SEVEN EAST

ABOUT FIFTEEN HUNDRED SATURDAY SEVENTEENTH 0710

TOD 0923

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Subject: Orders-SWAN - in connection with EARHART SEARCH

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2		0013-1855	7/13/37	7/14/37
To :				
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				WXX	(2) Prepare Reply
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TO :- SWAN

INF:- COMDESDIV 3 - ITASCA - COM14

NRUI TORY GR 44 ::

0013 SEARCH NUKUNAU PERU ONOTOA TAPUAEQUEA AND NONUTIE
 COMPLETION SEARCH BY LATE AFTERNOON FRIDAY SIXTEENTH
 PERIOD MAKE SUCH SEARCH AS CONSIDERED NECESSARY OF
 INHABITED ISLANDS AND THOROUGHLY SEARCH OTHERS PERIOD IF
 DETACHED FROM NONUTIE SATURDAY SEVENTEENTH CAN YOU RETURN
 PEARLHARBOR WITHOUT REFUELLING ADVISE 1855

Chief of Staff
on
Intell
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ROUTE SLIP # 5326

Subject: Orders - USCGC ITASCA - in connection with EARHART
search

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 0013-1910	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Comdesron 2			7/13/37	7/14/37
To : ITASCA				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>M/3/Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
...Commandant (00)	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff (01)				<i>W</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer (03)					(3) Prepare End.
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FM :- COMDESRON 2

TO :- ITASCA

INF:- COMDESDIV 3 - SWAN - COM14.

0013 PROCEED DIRECT TO KURIA APAMAMA GROUP THENCE
NORTHWARD CONDUCTING COMPLETE SEARCH OF UNINHABITED ISLANDS
AND SUCH SEARCH AS IS DEEMED NECESSARY OF INHABITED ISLANDS
ARRIVING TARITARI SIXTEENTH PERIOD IF DETACHED SATURDAY
SEVENTEENTH AT TARITARI CAN YOU PROCEED HONOLULU WITHOUT
REFUELING ADVISE 1910

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Subject: Resume Earhart Search by USS COLORADO

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
BB45/A4-3 545				
From: C.O. USS COLORADO			7-13-37	7-29-37
To : Com.14				
Via :			Our File No.	44-3/Earhart

From:	To	For	Date	Done Initial	
Commandant(00)	✓				(1) Action
Chief of Staff(01)					(2) Prepare Reply
District Legal Officer(03)					(3) Prepare End.
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Passage, Pearl Harbor, T. H.,
13 July, 1937.

From: Commanding Officer.
To : Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District.
Subject: Resume Earhart Search by the U.S.S. COLORADO.
(In Charge Search Group).

On 1 July, 1937, the U.S.S. COLORADO, Captain Wilhelm L. Friedell, U.S. Navy, Commanding, arrived at Honolulu, T. H. The U.S.S. COLORADO was operating in accordance with approved operating schedule on a one month's training cruise of the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Students from the University of California, and Washington. Also on board were four distinguished guests of the Navy, Doctor Marion Luther Brittain, President of the Georgia School of Technology, Doctor Lee Paul Sieg, President of the University of Washington, Doctor Charles Derleth, junior, Dean of the College of Engineering, University of California, and Doctor James Washington Bell, Professor of Money and Banking and Member of the Administrative Board of the Graduate School, Northwestern University. These distinguished guests of the Navy were all connected with schools that take an active part in the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Several officers and men of the Naval Reserve were aboard for training augmenting the regular ship's company of the U.S.S. COLORADO.

The U.S.S. COLORADO had stopped at Hilo, Hawaii, for a pleasant welcome and a two day visit, had fired successfully, by the N.R.O.T.C. a modified Short Range Battle Practice in the Lahaina Area, and was berthed at Pier 2, Honolulu, T. H., to remain until early Tuesday Morning, 6 July, 1937.

On the morning of 1 July, 1937, (Honolulu Time) Mrs. Amelia Earhart Putnam, and her Navigator, Mr. Fred J. Noonan, took off from New Guinea for Howland Island in the Lockheed plane known as a flying laboratory in which they were approaching the end of a flight around the world. Howland Island is located in Latitude 0°-47' North, Longitude 176°-43' West. It is 1,660 miles from Honolulu, T. H., and is the nearest land to the Hawaiian Islands in the direction of the flight. It is an island two miles in length, and 1,000 yards wide. It is twenty feet high. South and east of Howland in Latitude 0°-13' North, Longitude 176°-33' West is Baker Island also twenty feet high. It is one mile in length and 1,500 yards wide.

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On Howland Island there are four weather observers, from Honolulu equipped with a direction finder for this flight, and a radio for communication with the Honolulu Radio Station, and the Coast Guard Cutter ITASCA. On Baker Island are four observers from Honolulu also equipped with a radio.

The ITASCA, under the Command of Commander W. G. Thompson, United States Coast Guard, had been placed on station near the island for the purpose of guarding the flight. The ITASCA had come from the West Coast for this purpose. The ITASCA had previously been stationed at Honolulu, and the personnel were familiar with the waters and islands of the vicinity.

About noon, Friday, 2 July, 1937, word was received in Honolulu that the Earhart Plane had not arrived at Howland Island. The ITASCA reported that 0742 (Zone plus 11½ time) the Earhart Plane had been contacted, and the plane reported only one-half hour of fuel, no land fall and position doubtful. The contact at 0646 had reported one hundred miles from the ITASCA then at Howland Island, but no relative bearing was given. At 0843, the plane reported line of position 157-337 but no reference point. The ITASCA further reported that at 1200 she would commence search to the northwestward for the plane.

The ITASCA reported later that she had received no word as to the course and speed or position of the plane but believed that the plane was down to the northwest, having passed Howland Island, and due to the glare of the rising sun had missed seeing Howland Island or the ITASCA which had been smoking heavily in order to assist in being sighted.

The reason for the ITASCA's search to the northwestward was not known until contact with the ITASCA was made several days later and information was then received that on the morning of 2 July, 1937, at Howland the visibility had been clear except to the west and north, and if the plane had been close to Howland it was believed the island or the ITASCA would have been easily seen except from the northwest.

Inquiries from the Navy Department to the Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District, as to the practicability of searching by destroyers and planes from Pearl Harbor, T.H., brought out the fact that the position of Howland Island, 1,660 miles from Honolulu precluded any searching of that area being conducted without a base in the immediate vicinity for either destroyers or planes.

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In the afternoon of 2 July, Lieutenant Warren W. Harvey, U.S. Navy, in a seaplane took off from Pearl Harbor, T.H., for search in the vicinity of the Howland Island for the Earhart plane.

The U.S.S. COLORADO was made available to the Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District, for use as a searching vessel. At 0500, Saturday, 3 July, 1937, the U.S.S. COLORADO left Honolulu for Pearl Harbor, with orders to fuel prior to departing for the Search Area. While at Pearl Harbor additional stores of gasoline, lubricating oil and aviation oil, were taken on board.

At 0700, the Patrol Plane reported her position at Latitude 6°-35' North, Longitude 172°-00' West, that the weather was extremely bad and that it was necessary for her to return to Pearl Harbor.

The U.S.S. SWAN had been despatched from the Fleet Air Base, Pearl Harbor, T.H., with supplies for the Navy plane in the event that it reached Howland Island and conducted a search from there. In order to guard the Patrol Plane on its return flight to Pearl Harbor, the U.S.S. DENT, TALBOT, TANAGER, and WHIPPOORWILL were ordered out to cover the path of the Navy Plane. This plane returned to Honolulu safely by 1900, Saturday, 3 July 1937, and no further planes were despatched from Pearl Harbor for the Search Area. The four ships were directed to return to Pearl Harbor. The U.S.S. SWAN continued on towards Howland Island.

While at Pearl Harbor the Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. COLORADO received instructions from the Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District, Rear Admiral Grin G. Murfin, U.S. Navy, and conferred with the Commanding Officer, Fleet Air Base, Captain Kenneth Whiting, U.S. Navy, and other officers of the District and Air Base relative to the probable path and location of the Earhart Plane in the event of a forced landing. This information seemed to indicate that the most probable reason for missing Howland Island would be that of stronger winds than normally expected in the region, and that the plane had probably been carried southeast of Howland, a greater distance than that from which Howland could be sighted. These opinions lead the Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. COLORADO, at this time to believe that southeast of Howland was the most likely area.

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The Commanding Officer upon departure from Pearl Harbor 1300, 3 July, 1937, set course for Howland Island.

Prior to departure from Pearl Harbor, word was received that amateur operators in the vicinity of Los Angeles had intercepted position report of the Earhart plane as Latitude 1° 36' South, Longitude 179° East. Radio watch was set on 3105 Kcs and 6210 Kcs, the frequencies known to have been used by the plane, in addition to the regular watch on the distress frequency, 500 Kcs. Contact was made via broadcast receivers with the radio broadcasting stations in Honolulu which were delivering an almost constant stream of information relative to aircraft reports of reception of messages from the plane.

The broadcasting stations and the ITASCA continued to send messages to the plane. On the night of 3 and 4 July no signals were heard on the plane frequency by the ITASCA or COLORADO, but reports were received from Wyoming, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Australia and other points that signals, and in some cases voice reports, had been received from the plane. It was also reported that an unbroken carrier wave was heard, both the night of 3 July and the night of 4 July on the plane frequency. There was no doubt that many stations were calling the Earhart plane on the plane's frequency, some by voice and others by signals. All of these added to the confusion and doubtfulness of the authenticity of the reports.

At this time the Commanding Officer, U.S.S. COLORADO stated that pending further information it was his plan based on the present information, search operations conducted and being conducted by the ITASCA and information obtained from officers at the Naval Air Station, Pearl Harbor and a knowledge of winds and currents in the vicinity of Howland and Baker Island to conduct search operations upon arrival at Howland Island in the area southeast of the island. The search to be conducted as follows: The U.S.S. COLORADO to steam east along the equator, the planes to be launched from the ship to search to the northward sixty miles then east for twelve miles then south passing the COLORADO to sixty miles south of the track of the COLORADO and then to complete the rectangle and return to the ship. Upon return to the ship, the planes were to be serviced and with new pilots take off for search of the next rectangle. It was expected that four flights of three planes each could be made per day.

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On the Fourth of July word was received that Commander Destroyer Squadron Two, Captain Jonathan S. Dowell, U.S. Navy, in Command of the LEXINGTON Group, consisting of the LEXINGTON, The DRAYTON, the CUSHING and the LAMSON, was proceeding to the search area.

During the night of 4 - 5 July, constant radio search was conducted. The COLORADO heard the carrier wave which had been previously reported by other stations. The Broadcasting Station in Honolulu had been requesting the plane, if the broadcasts were heard, to send a message and if unable to send a message to send signals by means of cutting the carrier wave on and off. Another station reported that answering signals had been heard but none of the stations reporting having heard signals agreed on any one specific reply signal. About mid-night 4 July, word was received that the plane carried no emergency radio equipment and that if the plane had landed on the water the engines would be partly submerged and the radio equipment would be unable to transmit. This gave rise to the belief that the plane was on land, if the signals heard or messages received were to be considered in any way authentic.

At 0230 the 5th of July 1937, word was received that operators in Honolulu had received a message from the plane that its position was 281 miles north of Howland Island. It was further stated that this was believed to be authentic as three separate operators had heard the report.

This information placed a different picture in view, for if the position was correct it would indicate that the plane was on the water, and if signals were actually heard as had been believed, then the plane must be on land or able to transmit from the water. The U.S.S. COLORADO was still too far away to cause a change of course for the reported position. The ITASCA and SWAN left their positions immediately and proceeded towards the position 281 miles north of Howland Island. The S.S. MOORBY which was near the reported position proceeded towards the position given, arriving on the 5th of July. The SWAN reached Latitude 5° North, Longitude 172°-45' West, and commenced searching to the westward. The ITASCA reached the reported position late in the afternoon of 5 July. The COLORADO during the 5th of July continued on its course to Howland Island. Due to the distance involved to the position 281 miles north of Howland Island, and to Howland Island from the position of the COLORADO at this time it would have served no useful purpose to change the course of the COLORADO directly to the suspected position. In the event that the SWAN, ITASCA and MOORBY failed to locate the plane in the suspected position or area and radio information confirmed the original assumption of the plane being in the southeast quadrant from Howland Island any change now would delay ultimate search of that region.

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It was not necessary for the Commanding Officer to decide until Tuesday forenoon on the course to follow. During the 5th two despatches of considerable interest and weight were received. The first despatch cast definite doubt as to the location as being 281 miles north of Howland Island, due to the fact that it stated again that the plane could not use radio if actually in the water, and the region to the north of Howland as previously stated was entirely water. Hence, if signals were received the location was definitely wrong. The other despatch referred to the opinion of the technical aides connected with the flight, that the plane would be found in the original line, which would indicate a position through Howland Island and the Phoenix Group, or in other words the southeast quadrant from Howland Island. These reports bore out the original assumption of the Commanding Officer, which was based on all information then available, that the logical quadrant for the position of the plane was the southeast quadrant.

The carrier wave was again heard during the night and the ITASCA and the broadcast station in Honolulu continued to broadcast to the plane instructions as to the replies to be given if the plane was heard. At 2132 on the night of the 5th the listeners in the radio room of the COLORADO were startled to hear on the plane frequency, the words, "Earhart from ITASCA did you send up a flare? If you did send up another. Please go ahead."

At 2140 the following was received, "Earhart Plane from ITASCA, we see second flare, we are coming for you, we are starting toward you." At 2145, "We see your flare and are proceeding towards you", these reports continued to be broadcast by the ITASCA, and apparently to a listening world, the position 281 miles north of Howland Island in which the ITASCA, SWAN and MOORBY were searching was the correct position. It was therefore with great sadness that the following was received shortly thereafter, "Report in error, objects sighted are apparently meteors Howland reported same effect." And the SWAN verified the opinion by reporting sighting meteors at the time the ITASCA was believed to be sighting a flare from the Earhart Plane.

On the 6th of July, 1937, the Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District was directed to take charge of all Naval Forces based Pearl Harbor and those in the search area. The Coast Guard Cutter, the ITASCA was further directed to operate under Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District. The Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District, directed the Commanding Officer, U.S.S. COLORADO to take charge of Naval and Coast Guard Units in the Search Area and coordinate the Earhart Search Unit, until the arrival of Commander Destroyer Squadron Two.

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Shortly after the flares were known to be false a report was received that further investigation of the report received on 3 July that on 3105 Kcs a woman's voice had made four distress signal calls followed by KHAQQ, followed by "225 garble, Off Howland, battery very weak, can't last long, garble indicated sandbank", had been made and considerable credulance was given to the possibility of the report having been actually received. The only banks charted are south and east of Howland Island. A report was received from Mr. Putnam stressing the Phoenix Island Group and stating that headwinds aloft had been much stronger than expected for the flight. Again it was stated that the Lockheed Aircraft Engineers stated that the radio could not operate unless the plane was on land. It was further suggested by Mr. Putnam, that a plane from the COLORADO investigate the Phoenix Island Area. The possibility that the position 281 miles north of Howland was in error and might have been south and southeast was also considered. A third report also stated that a strong signal had been heard and a man's voice calling the ITASCA. A fourth signal report stated "Position 281 miles north of Howland, drifting northwest." This report was definitely known later to be a false report.

The search in the northwest quadrant was being carried on by ships. The planes radio was believed to have been heard, if some of the many reports were presumed to be authentic, hence on land. Considerations irrespective of radio had pointed to the southeast quadrant, and at this time still did. The southeast quadrant from Howland, except for one unverified report, still was the most likely. The Commanding Officer therefore decided to hold to his original decision, that of searching to the southeast of Howland, with one modification, that being to search by planes, the land areas of the Phoenix Group, prior to the large water areas. Large areas of intervening water, of course would be covered at the same time.

Accordingly at 0800, Tuesday, the ship's head was changed to 205° true and speed increased to eighteen point three knots (18.3). Arrangements were made in answer to a request from the ITASCA for a rendezvous with that ship for 0600, the 7th of July, for the purpose of fueling the ITASCA and provisioning her from the COLORADO. The SWAN was directed to search to Latitude 0°, Longitude 175° West.

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The Commander Coast Guard sent word that he had communicated with persons familiar with the methods of navigation of Mr. Noonan, and that Mr. Noonan would take a fix shortly before dawn, correct course for destination, and determine line of position when near the end of estimated run. This procedure would allow a flight of about 300 miles without a good fix. If short of gas, he probably would follow the line of position to the nearest land. The line of position $337^{\circ} - 157^{\circ}$ was given in one of the last reports received from the plane. It was also stated in a report that the plane was short of gas.

Considering the question as to what Mr. Noonan did do, it must be considered which way he would steer on the line. To the northwest of Howland was wide stretches of ocean, to the southeast were spots of land. To a seaman in low visibility the thing to do when in doubt of own position would be to head for the open sea. The land would be the place to get away from. To the Air Navigator with position in doubt and flying a land plane it is apparent that the thing to do would be to steer down the line towards the most probable land. To the Air Navigator, land would be a rescue, just as the sea would be to the seaman. Would and did Mr. Noonan do this or had he other reasons to do otherwise? The answer was of course unknown but logical deduction pointed to the southeast quadrant.

At day break, Wednesday, 7 July, the ITASCA met, fueled and provisioned from the COLORADO. Upon completion the ITASCA was directed by the Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. COLORADO to proceed to a point $0^{\circ}-20'$ South Latitude, Longitude 178° West, and from there to search a sector, eastward and south from a line bearing 157° from that point and to search to the eastward a distance of 120 miles. This position and area was chosen as a place for search due to thoroughly considering the probable drift of the plane, had it landed on the morning of 2 July to the south of Howland Island, while on a line 157° to or from Howland Island. The ITASCA was further instructed to rectify this area to be searched in accordance with the current found in the region in order to continually take into consideration the drift of the plane if on the water.

At 1435, the COLORADO approached the westward charted islands of the Phoenix Group and planes were catapulted searching ahead for the charted position of the Reef and Sand Bank north of Winslow Reef and southeast of Howland Island.

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Although the planes searched ahead from the ship and crossed the Equator covering an advance of approximately 100 miles ahead of the ship and beyond the believed location of the Reef and Sand Bank, and several miles to the Eastward of the charted position, it was not located. At 1645, the planes were recovered in a position south of the Equator in Longitude $174^{\circ} 30'$ West. When the planes were returned to the ship, the course of the ship was changed to 260° until clear of any possible danger of the Reef and Sand Bank, and Winslow Reef, and then to the southward.

On the 8th of July, the SWAN reached the position Latitude $0^{\circ} 00'$, Longitude 175° in the afternoon, and was then directed to proceed to a point 2° South, 172° West, continuing to cover a search across the northeast section of the water area of the Phoenix Islands.

At 0657, the COLORADO launched planes from $175^{\circ}-30'$ West, 1° South, and conducted an East-West search over the charted region of Winslow Reef and Reef and Sand Bank. A thorough search of this region failed to locate either of the two reefs, and the water covered showed no signs of the Earhart Plane.

When the planes returned they were immediately refueled and were sent out again covering together a front of seventy miles, thirty-five miles on each side of the course. While the COLORADO continued ahead, the planes searched to the left thirty-five miles then to the right crossing the ship's course a distance of thirty-five miles beyond the ship's track, and then completing the rectangle. This method of search continued until 1535 when the planes returned with a report that although the visibility was exceptionally good nothing was sighted. The next flight from 1620 to 1730 extended the advance of the seventy mile front to a total of fifty miles, making an area of 3,500 miles covered by the last two flights. The first flight to the eastward covered at least 1,500 square miles. From the point of recovery of the planes at 1730 the COLORADO proceeded to Latitude $2^{\circ}-37'$ South, Longitude 175° West where a course of 180° was set for the night.

During the previous twenty-four hours two reports of the plane had been received. A report was received from Melbourne, Australia "Plane between Howland and Samoa Group, ten hours West." No further information was given nor was the report verified. The other report was received at 1800 stating that a reputable citizen of Hilo at 1515 had heard Amelia Earhart call the ITASCA and the ITASCA answer. The ITASCA was immediately asked for verification and stated that they had no word. What then did it mean, was a joke intended, a fraud perpetrated or a mistake made?

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The mystery was solved shortly by the report that the listener had accidentally tuned in on the "March of Time" broadcast and believed the reproduction and acting to be real.

At 0700 on the morning of 9 July in Latitude $3^{\circ}54'$ South, Longitude $174^{\circ}-46'$ West, the COLORADO launched her planes in the direction of McKean Island. Upon locating McKean and searching the vicinity, the planes continued to Gardner and then to Carondelet Reef before returning to the ship in Latitude $4^{\circ}-30'$ South, Longitude $174^{\circ}-24'$ West. After the vain search for Reef and Sand Bank and for Winslow Reef it was to be expected that the other Islands did not or might not exist. They were however, all located by the planes and although they were not in the exact charted position they were seen from a considerable distance and the planes had no difficulty in locating them.

McKean Island showed unmistakable signs of having at one time been inhabited. On the northwest side of the Island there appeared buildings of the adobe type. No one was seen on either Gardner Island or McKean Island.

McKean Island was such that a plane could have made a safe crash landing either on the beach or in the center of the Island. No dwellings appeared on Gardner or any other signs of inhabitation. A long shallow lagoon extends the entire length of the Island and through most of the width.

A seaplane could land in the lagoon and it is believed that a land plane could make a forced landing there, and the occupants walk ashore. Coral reefs extended out from the shore line for about 150 yards. At Gardner Island a four thousand ton tramp steamer has piled up head on and remains there with her back broken. Groves of Coconut palms grow on the western end and the entire island is covered with tropical vegetation. Myriads of birds cover both islands.

Carondelet Reef was under water but plainly could be seen from the planes at a distance of 10 miles.

This was of interest in regards to the possibility of Winslow Reef existing and the Reef and Sand Bank to the Northwest ward of Winslow Reef. If the two existed, it is apparent from the way in which Carondelet Reef was seen, that they are many miles from their charted position.

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Upon recovery of the planes from the morning flight the ship continued on course 090° and at 1400 launched planes in Latitude 4° 33' South, Longitude 173° 45' West. The purpose of the flight in the afternoon was to search the water ahead of the ship to locate Hull Island and to search the island and the water in the vicinity for any signs of the Earhart Plane.

As the planes approached Hull Island natives were seen running out of their huts and waving clothes at the plane. Lieutenant Lambrecht, the senior aviator and in charge of the flight, landed for the purpose of asking if the inhabitants had seen or heard of the Earhart Plane. A European Resident Manager of the natives came out in a canoe to meet the plane. He and his natives were astonished and excited in seeing the three planes. The Resident Manager asked where the planes were from and when informed Honolulu, nearly upset the canoe in his excitement. It was necessary to explain to him that the planes had not come direct but had arrived by the battleship COLORADO which was relatively close by. The Resident Manager said that there was a radio on the island, however, he knew nothing of the Earhart flight and created doubt of his having ever heard of Miss Earhart herself. Neither he nor his natives had seen or heard a plane. The planes returned to the ship in Latitude 4° 33' South, Longitude 173° 08' West.

During the night the ship steamed north and then east arriving at Latitude 3° 51' South, Longitude 172° 15' West, at 0700 the 10th of July.

The SWAN had been directed upon arrival at Latitude 2° South, Longitude 170° West to proceed to rendezvous with the COLORADO in Latitude 3° 10' South, Longitude 172° West at 1100 and to search in the vicinity of Canton Island enroute. The planes were launched at 0700 and proceeded to Sydney, Phoenix, Enderbury and Birnie Islands in the order named, and at 1015 in Latitude 3° 22' South, Longitude 172° 2' West were recovered by the ship. Sydney was the only island which showed any signs of recent habitation and in appearance was much the same as Gardner Island. It had the usual shallow lagoon which in this case was large enough for a seaplane to make a safe landing. Phoenix and Birnie Islands had the appearance of a lagoon, but the latter island being very small. Enderbury had a lagoon but it was very shallow.

When the planes were recovered, the SWAN was taken alongside and refueled and provisioned. Upon completion of fueling the SWAN was directed to search in a northwest direction across the open water north of the Phoenix Group enroute Latitude 2° South, Longitude 175° West.

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The COLORADO at 1445 in Latitude $03^{\circ}-22'$ South, Longitude $175^{\circ}-45'$ West launched planes for a search to and of Canton Island. This island was located and carefully searched by the planes. It was the largest of any of the islands searched. It's lagoon was deeper than those of the other islands but was crossed with coral reefs in such a manner that it would be dangerous to land except at two places, one at each end of the island. At the western end there remains the shacks and scaffolding erected by the recent eclipse expedition. When the planes were recovered, the course was set at 350° to take the COLORADO to a rendezvous at 0700, 12 July, with the destroyers approaching the search area with the LEXINGTON Group.

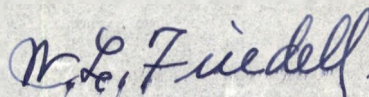
Upon fueling the destroyers the COLORADO was detached from the search group and directed to return to the West Coast in order to debark the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Students and Naval Reserve Officers. These students with the distinguished guests embarked for a month cruise, which extended into a six weeks cruise, covering many more miles than was expected at the time of embarkation, and crossing the equator twice. The fact of crossing the equator was not neglected by Neptunus Rex and his court, although they postponed their visit in order not to interfere with the operations in connection with the search. While they arrived aboard long after the COLORADO had crossed the Equator, the reception and initiation into the Realm of Neptunus Rex was fittingly and properly conducted by Neptunus Rex and his court assisted by the Shellbacks for the benefit of the Pollywogs.

If it is considered that the search area began with the position where the COLORADO fueled the ITASCA, 0600, 7 July, and ended with the position where the COLORADO fueled the destroyers of the LEXINGTON Group 12 July it will be found that the COLORADO steamed 1240 miles, that her planes flew 21.2 hours each, 1908 miles each and that the COLORADO with her planes covered within the radius of visibility an area of 25,490 square miles. Adding to this additional mileage to and from Pearl Harbor to the Search Area the COLORADO steamed 3,980 miles and 320 hours, more than expected when the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Cruise commenced.

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As this is written the LEXINGTON Group is approaching the Search Area and will be able to conduct an extensive search over a large water area. The COLORADO has, however, covered the land area within a radius of 450 miles of Howland Island, and definitely ascertained that the Earhart plane is not on land within the region unless on an unknown, uncharted and unsighted reef.



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Subject:

If practicable Howland requests you resume regular
daily radio schedules commencing at 0800 GCT tomorrow
Wednesday

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
		8013 - 2145		
From: COMHAWSEC			7-13-37	7-14-37
To : ITASCA				
Via : INFO: CDR2, COM 14				
			Our File No. <i>Ref 3/ Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant(00).....	/				(1) Action
...Chief of Staff(01).....				<i>W</i>	(2) Prepare Reply
...District Legal Officer(03).....					(3) Prepare End.
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Subject:

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Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No. 9513 - 0710	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: LEXINGTON			7-13-37	7-13-37
To : EARHART GROUP				
Info: FAB PH			Our File No.	<i>44.3/Earhart</i>

From:	To	For	Done		
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 TO; EARHART GROUP
 INFO; FAB PH

P R I O R I T Y (INFORMATION)

513 FORECAST SEARCH AREA TODAY EASTERN PORTION BROKEN CLOUDS
 CEILING MOSTLY UNLIMITED OCCASIONAL RAIN SQUALLS VISIBILITY
 20 MILES EXCEPT IN RAIN AREAS SURFACE WIND SOUTHEAST 17 KNOTS
 WINDS ALOFT EASTERLY 25 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS UNDESIREABLE
 TO AVERAGE WESTERN PORTION MOSTLY OVERCAST WITH HEAVY RAIN
 VISIBILITY INDIFFERENT SURFACE WINDS EAST 20 TO 25 KNOTS WITH
 STRONG GUSTS SHIFTING TO SOUTHEAST WINDS ALOFT EASTERLY 25
 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS BAD TO UNDESIREABLE TONIGHT
 GENERALLY IMPROVING WITH PARTLY CLOUDY SKY OCCASIONAL RAIN
 SQUALLS SURFACE WIND SOUTHEAST 15 TO 20 KNOTS WINDS ALOFT
 EASTERLY 25 KNOTS FLYING CONDITIONS MOSTLY AVERAGE TOMORROW
 PARTLY CLOUDY WITH MOSTLY UNLIMITED CEILING OCCASIONAL RAIN
 SQUALLS VISIBILITY 20 MILES EXCEPT IN RAIN AREAS SURFACE WIND
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LL Subject: Earhart search in Howland area

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: ComSanFranDiv		8012 0400	12 July '37	12 July '37
To : ComDesRon2				
Via :			Our File No. <i>443/ Earhart</i>	

From:	To	For	Done		
			Date	Initial	
...Commandant (00)	✓			<i>12</i>	(1) Action
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8012 MY 8011 2240 LONGITUDE 179 THOUGHT, TO BE IN ERROR AS
 LONGITUDE DID NOT CHECK WITH OTHER REPORTS WHICH PLACES PLANES
 SUPPOSED POSITION SOUTHWEST OF HOWLAND ISLAND ON AN ISLAND
 SEVERAL REPUTED POSITIONS HAVE BEEN REPORTED AS LONGITUDE 176
 BUT WITH NO DESIGNATION EAST OR WEST USING LATTER FIGURES
 WITH LATITUDE 1 POINT 6 SOUTH GIVES POSITION IN EASTER GILBERT
 GROUP PERIOD ONE OTHER REPORTED POSITION IS APPROXIMATELY
 213 MILES WEST NORTHWEST OF HOWLAND ISLAND NO VERIFICATION
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Subject: Position report USCGC ITASCA

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: Itasca		6012-0015	7/12/37	7/12/37
To : Comdesron2				
Via :			Our File No.	10-3/Enchart

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Subject: LEXINGTON approached N.E. border search area

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: LEXINGTON			7-12-37	7-12-37
To : Associated Press, Honolulu				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>44-3/Earhart</i>

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FIRST PHASE ACTIVITIES DEVELOPED STATIONING EXTRA LOOKOUTS
EVERY VANTAGE POINT OFFWATCHES SCANNED TROPICAL WATERS STOP
PLANES COMPLETELY CHECKED FUELED DECKWARD PREPARATORY LAUNCHING
DAWN TUESDAY GREATEST AERIAL HUNT HISTORY STOP CREWERS FEEL
EVERYTHING POSSIBLE DONE ASSURE FINDING AMELIA IF AFLOAT .

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Subject: Want flash soon as first LEXINGTON Plane starts

Letter No.	Endorsement No.	Despatch No.	Date of Origin	Date Received
From: UNITED PRESS			7-12-37	7-12-37
To : LEXINGTON				
Via :			Our File No.	<i>44-3/Earhart</i>

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