

Aircraft Action Reports

2-d (49) USS Norton Sound

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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REPORT No. 1-45

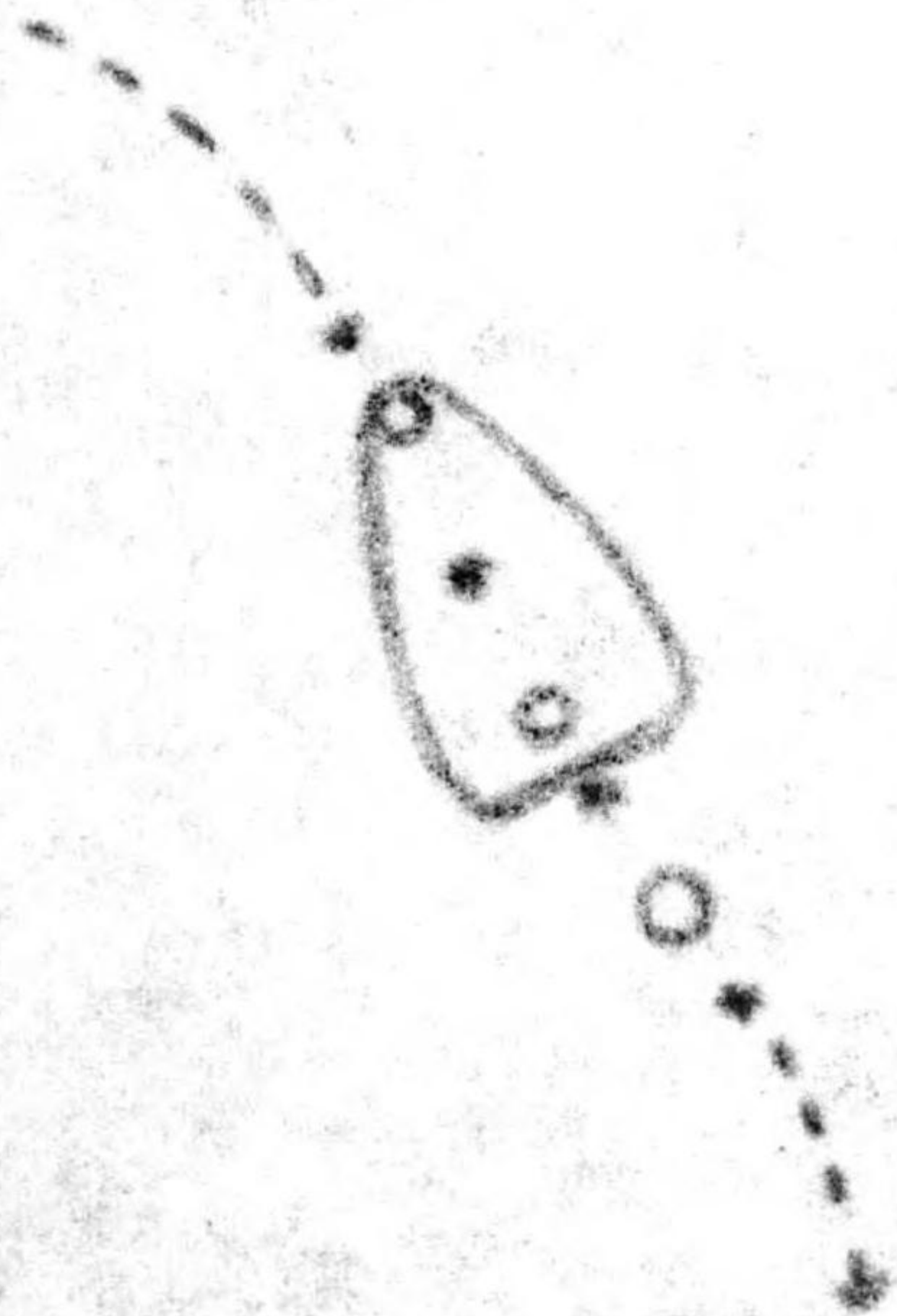
XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Small AK 34-48N, 127-02E (b) Time Over Target(s) 1340 I (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target None
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Clear (e) Visibility 30 miles
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type slight glide Bomb Sight Used Seaman's Eye
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run 6 Spacing 50 Altitude of Bomb Release 250
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed _____ Probably Destroyed _____ Damaged _____

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 Port Beam	890 GT	1 - 63V VPB-26	400 rds, 50 cal.	200 rds	slight
2 Midships		1 - 163V	3X100 GP, 3X120 Incend. 400 rds	3 bombs 200 rds	serious
3 Ditto		1 - 63V	SAME AS ABOVE	None	None
4 Ditto		1 - 163V	400 rds, 50 cal.	200 rds	slight
5 Ditto		1 - 63V	2X100 GP, 2X120 lb Incend. (1-cc. hang), 400 rds		Moderate
6					
7	Two more strafing runs by each plane, about 400 rounds per plane.				
8	Total damage considerable. Vessel later sank. Confirmed by VPB-16.				

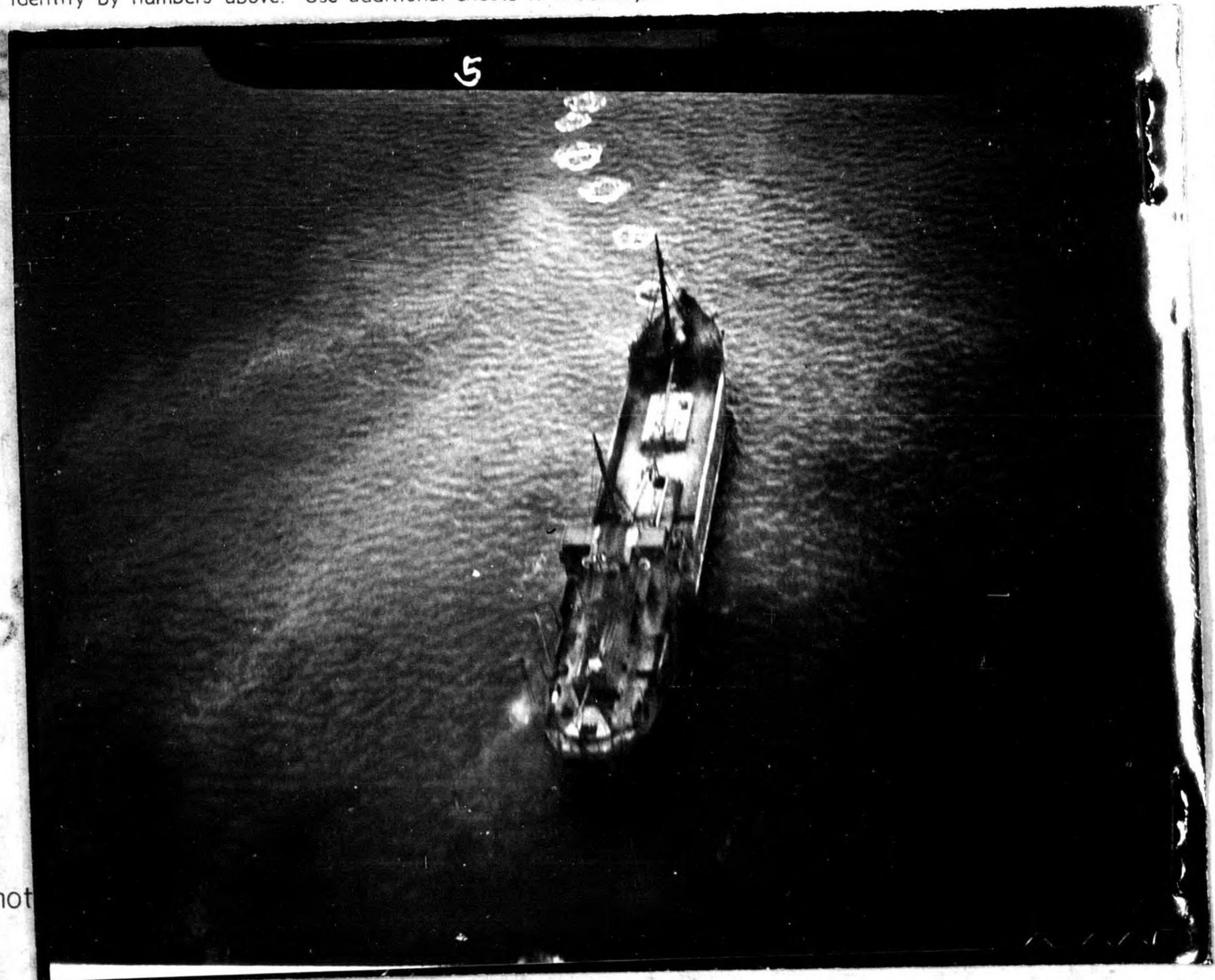
(o) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary).

1st Bomb run
Walker
#2 above



○ - G.P.
* - Incend. clusters

(p) Were Photographs Taken? Yes Phot



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(a) Target(s) and Location(s) Small AK, 34-40, 123-50 (b) Time Over Target(s) 1420 Z (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)

(c) Clouds Over Target none
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)

(d) Visibility of Target clear (e) Visibility 15 miles
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)

(f) Bombing Tactics: Type slight glide Bomb Sight Used Socman's Eye
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)

Bombs Dropped per Run 6 Spacing 50 Altitude of Bomb Release 250 feet
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)

(g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed _____ Probably Destroyed _____ Damaged _____

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 <u>amidships</u>	<u>860</u>	<u>1-143V</u> <u>VFB-26</u>	<u>3X100 GP, 3X100</u> <u>Incend., 400 rds</u> <u>50 cal.</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>1 near miss</u> <u>damaged rudder</u>
2					
3	<u>6 strafing runs by each plane; 300 rds per run.</u>				<u>Damage</u>
4	<u>Target left moderately damaged.</u>				
5					
6					
7					
8					

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● - GP
* - Incendiary Cluster



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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.
Use additional sheets if necessary).

ARMAMENT

Guns, Gunsights
Turrets
Ammunition
Bombs, Torpedoes
Bomb Sights
Bomb Releases

COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar
Homing Devices
Visual Signals
Codes, Ciphers

RECOGNITION

IFF
Signals
Battle Lights
Procedures

PROTECTION

Armor; Points and Angles
of Fire Needing Further
Protection
Leak Proofing

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes
Life Belts, Life Rafts
Safety Belts
Emergency Kits
Rations, First Aid

NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses
Driftsights
Octants
Automatic Pilots
Charts
Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Flight
Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

**CAMOUFLAGE AND
DECEPTION DEVICES**

STRUCTURE

Airframe
Control Surfaces
Control System
Dive Flaps
Landing Gear
Heating System
Flight Characteristics
At Various Loadings

POWER PLANT

Engines
Engine Accessories
Propellers
Lubricating System
Starters
Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant
Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment
Personnel Facilities

**It is believed that the incendiaries were a contributing cause of
the sinking of the first vessel attacked.**

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