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(H) ATTACK DATA, (Cont).

U.S.S. BAYA TORPEDO ATTACK NO. 3 PATROL NO. 3

TIME 0646H DATE 21 Mar 1945 LAT 11-43N, LONG 109-15E.

TARGET DATA - DAMAGE INFLICTED

Description

Convoy consisted of four ships as follows: One DE-UN-1 class, one SC-S-1 class, one Sugar Dog SHINKYO MARU class (400-500 tons), and an additional Sugar Dog of not over 500 tons. Convoy in loose formation with DE well ahead, SC to seaward, and both SD hugging coast line. Contacted by radar leaving Phangrang Bay. Visibility good but with land background. Sea force 1. Occasional chop. All ships definitely identified. DE camouflaged in black and green.

Ships Sunk or Damaged

None.

Determined by

Observed target throughout run of torpedoes. Sound reported two erratic runs and one torpedo running 30-40 degrees astern of target. One erratic run passed over or close to BAYA.

TARGET DRAFT 6 ft.
SPEED 10 knots

COURSE 331° T.
RANGE 2200 yards.

OWN SHIP DATA

SPEED 2.7 kts. COURSE 056° T. DEPTH 65 ft. ANGLE 0°

FIRE CONTROL AND TORPEDO DATA

Type Attack

This was a dawn periscope attack following an hour of radar tracking. Attack was carried out at periscope depth. Target definitely identified. This was a regular "Attack Teacher" approach which was too perfect to be an actuality.