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# INTRODUCTION

World War II was a turning point in United States history. In 1939 the United States was a nation whose previous serious involvements beyond its borders, with the exception of World War I, had been in its own hemisphere. By 1945 it was a world power with seemingly limitless interests and responsibilities. The major world powers in 1939 were European states with extensive colonial interests and the empire of Japan, which was bidding to dominate the Asian mainland. By 1945 these power centers had become power vacuums. Europe was devastated, its colonial empires were crumbling, and Japan was crushed. The only nation that seemed capable of approaching American power was the Soviet Union. The stage was set for an era of superpower confrontation, imperiled by another of the war's creations: nuclear weaponry.

Historians agree that the man who guided the United States toward this unprecedented and dangerous future was President Franklin D. Roosevelt. This agreement, however, only opens the door to doubt and controversy. "No part of Roosevelt's foreign policy has been less clearly understood," writes historian Robert Dallek, "than his wartime diplomacy." This is because the complexities of the war effort require us to draw inferences from masses of data. Nothing is more crucial, and more difficult, to judge than the relation between means and ends. It is possible, for example, to say that during the war Roosevelt followed a policy of opportunism and expediency, determined by military considerations. It is also possible to say that Roosevelt emphasized military considerations because they were the wartime priority and because he wanted to use allied military cooperation as a basis for peacetime cooperation. Similarly, Roosevelt's personal diplomacy with Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Marshal Josef Stalin might suggest either that he believed in the force of personality in foreign relations or that he recognized, as successive presidents have done, that a successful foreign policy requires direct presidential guidance.

All such questions ultimately resolve themselves into deciding whether Franklin D. Roosevelt had a grand strategy for his country's role in the world and, if he did, what it was. This will always be a difficult question to answer, because if Roosevelt did have a grand strategy, it was conceived in the grand manner of all master strategists: as a tightly constructed relationship between the general and the particular, somewhat after the fashion of Impressionist painters whose images are indistinct when viewed closely but form familiar shapes at a distance. The Map Room Papers provide us with the lines and colors. We have to decide what kind of design, if any, they contain.

## The Map Room

The White House Map Room was established in January 1942 as President Roosevelt's center for military information and communications under the supervision of the president's naval aide. At the time of President Roosevelt's death in April 1945, it contained seven filing cabinets filled to capacity.

President Roosevelt wanted the Map Room to become the single repository of his personal correspondence with such world leaders as Prime Minister Churchill, Marshal Stalin, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. Outgoing messages were sent via navy channels and incoming ones received via army channels. Thus neither service had a complete file. The Map Room also conveyed and received messages of the president's immediate family and of advisers such as Harry Hopkins. Additionally, the Map Room served as the contact point for the president when he was away at wartime conferences.

In August 1943, as part of President Roosevelt's preparation for the Quebec Conference, the Map Room set up "Special Subjects" files. These files contained all available military and diplomatic information, which the president could draw upon to draft messages and to formulate policy.

They also included reports, maps, and official publications. Map Room officials studied these sources, posted their information on maps and charts, and summarized them for the president. They destroyed information that was of no interest to the White House or that duplicated documents already on file. As the U.S. war machine developed administratively, the Special Files came to dominate the Map Room system. Signifying the growing bureaucratic, impersonal nature of the war effort, the president's messages eventually were simply incorporated into these Special Files. This process of sifting and summarizing was necessary, of course, in order to digest millions of words or "raw" data, but it forced the president to rely on both the accuracy and the objectivity of the aides and agencies that reported to him.

A particular help to scholars is the filing system, which grew out of the need to control the paper flood. An early system of chronological filing without regard to subject broke down as harried aides stuffed papers into folders representing several months. In May 1942 the Map Room adopted a version of the army decimal files and printed a Codification Manual to guide the filing staff. The president also entrusted certain important and sensitive documents to the special keeping of his naval aide, who kept a separate file in an adjacent room.

After the death of President Roosevelt on April 12, 1945, President Harry S. Truman arranged to send many of the Map Room files to the National Archives for delivery to the late president's estate at the end of the war. There they were stored in a special vault. Only the archivist, Dr. Solon J. Buck, and his deputy had copies of the combination. At length the files were transferred to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library in Hyde Park, where they remain.

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## SOURCE NOTE

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## EDITORIAL NOTE

UPA's *Map Room Files of President Roosevelt, 1939–1945* consists of selected series from the Map Room File. The series included in this installment of UPA's micropublication is a portion of the Subject Files.

*Map Room Naval Operations, 1941–1945* consists of the Military Files Series identified in the Map Room Codification Manual as subject classification: 400 Warfare, Naval Operations. This classification has been filmed in its entirety. UPA has microfilmed all folders and documents as they are arranged at the FDR Library. The folders in this series have been arranged by the Map Room Codification Manual's subject classification listed above. The documents within each folder relate to the folder title and are generally arranged in reverse chronological order. (This collection of documents consists of several exceptions to this rule.) Oversize charts and maps have been noted on the microfilm as being filmed in sections: generally top left, right, bottom left and right.





# SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

UPA's two new installments to the *Map Room Files of President Roosevelt, 1939–1945* include *Map Room Ground Operations Files, 1941–1945* and *Map Room Naval Operations Files, 1941–1945*. These micropublications consist of a large portion of the voluminous, formerly classified, White House Map Room File. These classified materials were compiled by President Roosevelt's Naval Aide and pertain exclusively to the U.S. and Allied prosecution of the war in Europe, Asia, and the Pacific. The Map Room File includes various types of reports, correspondence, telegrams, and memoranda between the White House, its representatives (i.e., Harry Hopkins, etc.), Allied leaders and military commanders. The files comprising these new additions highlight the various geographic combat areas; tactical and strategic theater operations, and operational vagaries; strengths and dispositions of men and material; and the surrender of Germany. These files also highlight the war situation in Latin America, the North Atlantic, and Italy; and the Allied advance through France and Germany. These files outline concerns that were brought to the attention of President Roosevelt, Allied leaders, and military figures (i.e., anti-submarine warfare; Charles de Gaulle and the French National Committee; Soviet–Eastern European exile governmental relations; etc.). The White House Map Room, over the course of the war, amassed a large quantity of materials.

The White House Map Room Files are segregated into two major groupings of material. These are: (1) Messages, Communications, and Special Files and (2) Military Files. These two groupings are further subdivided. The early UPA publication entitled *Map Room Messages of President Roosevelt* consisted exclusively of the various personal messages between the president, his advisors and military commanders, and Allied heads of state and their advisors and military commanders on the major diplomatic and military questions of the war.

Group 2, Military Files, consists primarily of messages, reports, maps, and official publications of the War and Navy Departments, their various offices and agencies. The materials that constitute the Military Files were sent to the Map Room, where they were studied by the Map Room staff, who posted the information on maps and charts and summarized it in writing for the president, his top advisors, and military and naval aides. UPA has published a large portion of the Military Files to date. These highlight the political and diplomatic, personnel, and administration and organization of the U.S. and Allied command and conduct of World War II.

In summary, these new publications continue to highlight the intensity and depth with which President Roosevelt immersed himself in the “cauldron” of World War II.

## ***Map Room Naval Operations Files, 1941–1945***

The subject files comprising the *Map Room Naval Operations Files, 1941–1945* consist of correspondence, messages, reports, and memoranda. The files comprising this new addition highlight primarily the Pacific combat areas of the Southwest and Central Pacific theaters, tactical and strategic theater operations, and operational vagaries. There are several files relating to convoy activities to Russia and the United Kingdom. In addition, there is documentation relating to Vichy France and neutral warship and merchant ship activity. Subjects covered include composition, deployments and dispositions of naval forces; naval operations orders; naval and merchant shipping losses; orders of battle; submarine warfare; Office of Naval Intelligence summaries for the 1943–1945 period; and naval aircraft status, strength, and deployments. There are also various files on Axis naval combatant and merchant vessels activities.

These files outline concerns that were brought to the attention of President Roosevelt, Allied leaders, and military figures.

The documents comprising *Map Room Naval Operations Files, 1941–1945* are arranged according to the Map Room Codification Manual. A description of the arrangement of the documents and the relevant codes with definitions has been included on page xi.

# MAP ROOM CODIFICATION MANUAL

## SUBJECT CLASSIFICATIONS

The Military Files Series in the Map Room File was filed according to the Map Room Codification Manual. This manual utilized a decimal system. Map Room messages, reports and summaries, and correspondence received after May 1942 were filed according to a system based upon the War Department Decimal File. The abbreviation "MR" is listed before each decimal number to distinguish the number from the War Department Decimal File. The messages, reports and summaries, and correspondence were arranged by subjects into nine main classes, represented by the numbers 0 to 8. The nine main classes are: 000 General; 100 Personnel; 200 Administration and Organization; 300 Warfare, Ground Operations; 400 Naval Operations; 500 Air Operations; 600 Logistics and Supply; 700 Medicine; and 800 Construction, Buildings, Grounds. (This publication utilizes only the 400 class.) The nine main classes were subdivided, by a decimal system, so that each subject had its own file number. Generally, all documents concerning one general subject were filed together in a folder without regard to place of origin. This folder was designated by a subdivision of the general class number. Example: MR 410.1: Location of U.S. Naval Forces and Aircraft. If a separate folder on any special phase of a subject was needed in order to segregate it from the general file, another folder was started. This folder was designated by a number in parenthesis after the classification number. Example: MR 410.2 (1): Location of U.K. Ships and Subs. In addition to the decimal system, the Map Room staff subdivided the main classes by using descriptive names. These names were then a part of the decimal number and not a description of it. Names were used because it was easier to identify the folders. Folders with descriptive names as part of the codification number were filed alphabetically after the general file of the same codification number. Example: MR 400 Japanese Reference Folder. When a subject expanded sufficiently to warrant additional folders, the divisions of the subject were designated as sections. Sections were indicated by a number after the decimal number. When described, the section number usually refers to a chronological breakdown. Example: MR 451 (4), Sec. 1: Office of Naval Intelligence Daily Summary, August 1943. If it was necessary to break down the individual sections, these subsections were designated by a letter of the alphabet, after the section number.

Listed below is the 400 class and subdivisions utilized in this publication. The descriptive words in parentheses beneath a subject classification are from the Map Room Codification Manual.

### 400 Warfare, Naval Operations

- 400 Naval Operations—General.**  
(War, capabilities, attacks, general situations, conduct of war.)
- 400 Ships, by Name.**
- 401 Acquisition, Construction, Completion of Ships.**
- 401.1 Design, Description, Identification.**
- 402 Equipment, Supplies, Apparatus, Repair.**  
(Salvage, Arming, Conversion.)
- 403 Launching, Commission, Trials, Decommission, Shakedown.**
- 404 Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces.**
- 410 Allied Ship Location, Sailings and Activity.**

	(U.S. and U.K.)
411	<b>Allied Submarine Location, Sailings and Activity.</b>
412	<b>Operation Orders, Assignment of Allied Naval Vessels.</b>
412.1	<b>Assignment of Vessels for Shore Patrol.</b>
412.2	<b>Ocean Escorts.</b>
420	<b>Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Warships.</b>
	(U.S. and U.K.)
430	<b>Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Merchant Ships.</b>
	(U.S. and U.K.)
430.1	<b>Survivors of Allied Ships Sunk.</b>
440	<b>Convoys.</b>
442	<b>Russian Convoys [Convoys to Russia].</b>
443	<b>Enemy Convoys.</b>
450	<b>Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings and Activity.</b>
451	<b>Foreign and Enemy Submarine Locations and Activity.</b>
451.1	<b>Refueling and Repair of Enemy Submarines, Supply Bases.</b>
451.2	<b>Defense Against Enemy Submarines, Nets, Etc.</b>
460	<b>Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Ships (Merchant and War).</b>
460.01	<b>Survivors of Foreign and Enemy Ships and Submarines Sunk.</b>
460.1	<b>Allied Submarine Patrol Reports of Enemy Ship Sinkings.</b>
461	<b>Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Submarines.</b>
490	<b>Miscellaneous.</b>
491	<b>Mines, Laying of, Location of, Finding of.</b>
492	<b>Ice Conditions.</b>
493	<b>Hospital, Relief, Exchange, and Refugee Ships.</b>

# NAME LIST

<b>Alexander, Sir Harold</b>	British Field Marshal; Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater
<b>Brown, Wilson</b>	Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy; Naval Aide to the President, 1943–1945
<b>Deane, John R.</b>	Major General, U.S. Army; Head of U.S. Military Mission to the USSR
<b>Devers, Jacob</b>	General, U.S. Army; Commander, Sixth Army Group
<b>Eisenhower, Dwight D.</b>	General of the Army; Commanding General, Allied Forces in North Africa; Supreme Commander, Allied Forces in the European Theater of Operations
<b>Forrestal, James</b>	Under Secretary of the Navy, 1940–1944; Secretary of the Navy, 1944–1947
<b>Halsey, William F.</b>	Admiral, U.S. Navy; Commander, 3rd Fleet, 1942–1945
<b>Harriman, W. Averell</b>	Lend-Lease Coordinator, 1941–1943; U.S. Ambassador to the USSR, 1943–1946
<b>Hopkins, Harry L.</b>	Member, War Production Board; Member, Pacific War Council; Presidential Assistant to FDR
<b>Knox, Frank</b>	Secretary of the Navy, 1940–1944
<b>Land, Emory S.</b>	Administrator, War Shipping Administration; Administrator, U.S. Maritime Commission
<b>Leahy, William D.</b>	Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy; U.S. Ambassador to Vichy France, 1940–1942; Chief of Staff to the President, 1942–1949
<b>MacArthur, Douglas</b>	General of the Army; Commander, Far East Command; Commander in Chief of All U.S. Armed Forces in the Far East; Supreme Allied Commander, SWPA
<b>Marshall, George C.</b>	General of the Army; Chief of Staff, U.S. Army
<b>Nimitz, Chester</b>	Fleet Admiral, U.S. Navy; Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet
<b>Wilson, Sir Henry Maitland</b>	British Field Marshal; Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater of Operations; Head of British Joint Staff Mission to the U.S.
<b>Winant, John G.</b>	U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain



# ACRONYMS/INITIALISMS LIST

The following acronyms and initialisms are used frequently in this guide and are listed here for the convenience of the researcher.

<b>E-Boats</b>	German Motor Torpedo Boats
<b>DUKW</b>	Allied Amphibious Truck
<b>HMS</b>	His Majesty's Ship
<b>LST</b>	Landing Ship, Tank
<b>ONI</b>	Office of Naval Intelligence
<b>POWs</b>	Prisoners of War
<b>SWPA</b>	Southwest Pacific Area
<b>USS</b>	United States Ship
<b>USSR</b>	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

# LIST OF MILITARY OPERATIONS

The following is a list of code names for World War II military operations found in this guide, listed here for the convenience of the researcher.

<b>ANVIL</b>	Early Name for DRAGOON, the Allied invasion of Southern France, August 1944.
<b>OVERLORD</b>	Allied invasion of Normandy, France, June 1944
<b>SHINGLE</b>	Allied operation to outflank the Gustav Line in Italy (Anzio landings), January 1944
<b>TORCH</b>	Allied invasion of North Africa, November 1942





# REEL INDEX

Entries in this index refer to specific folders within the *Map Room Files of President Roosevelt, 1939–1945: Map Room Naval Operations Files, 1941–1945*. In the interest of accessing the materials within the folders, this index denotes significant issues, events, actions, and policy decisions under the heading *Major Topics*. Also included where applicable is a list of the principal correspondents. The four-digit number on the far left is the frame number at which the file folder begins. In cases where dates are not included on the folder, UPA has included, where possible, the inclusive month/year of the documents in each file folder. These dates are denoted within brackets. References to President Roosevelt are abbreviated FDR.

## Reel 1

Frame No.

### MR 400–MR 404

- 0001 **MR 400, Section 1: Ships, By Name—Japanese Reference Files, 1942–1944.** 238pp.  
*Major Topics:* Estimates of Japanese merchant shipping position; Japanese fleet movements and organization; Battle of Santa Cruz Islands; information regarding Japanese naval vessels.
- 0239 **MR 400, Section 2: Ships, By Name—Japanese Reference Folder, 1942–1944.** 345pp.  
*Major Topics:* Estimates of Japanese merchant shipping position; Japanese electric power position; Japanese merchant marine losses; Japanese fishing industry; Japanese naval shipbuilding program.
- 0584 **MR 400, Section 3: Ships, By Name—Japanese Reference Folder, 1942–1945.** 117pp.  
*Major Topics:* Estimates of Japanese merchant shipping position; Japanese fleet organization; information regarding Japanese naval vessels.
- 0701 **MR 400 (2), Section 1: Ships, By Name—USS *Iowa*, 1943–1944.** 115pp.  
*Major Topics:* Movements and personnel; naval bombardment of Mille; repairs commissioning and shakedown cruise.
- 0816 **MR 400 (3), Section 1: Ships, By Name—USS *Wasp*, 1943–1945.** 8pp.  
*Major Topics:* Movements and commissioning.
- 0824 **MR 400 (4), Section 1: Ships, By Name—USS *Ulvert M. Moore*, 1944–1945.** 18pp.  
*Major Topics:* Movements; Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. assigned to command.
- 0842 **MR 401.1, Section 1: Design, Description, Identification, 1944.** 16pp.  
*Major Topics:* Soviet merchant ship identification system; neutral ship routes in the Atlantic.
- 0858 **MR 402, Section 2: Equipment, Supplies, Apparatus, Arming of Ships, Etc., 1944.** 13pp.  
*Major Topics:* DUKW requirements; amphibious operations; salvage operations on USS *Utah*; Brazilian naval operations.

- 0871 **MR 404, Section 1: Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—U.S. Fleet Organization, January–December 1944.** 137pp.  
*Major Topics:* Assignments of U.S. naval vessels and aircraft; U.S. fleet organization.  
*Principal Correspondent:* James Forrestal.

## Reel 2

### MR 404 cont.—MR 404 (2)

- 0001 **MR 404, Section 1: Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—U.S. Fleet Organization, January–December 1944 cont.** 155pp.  
*Major Topics:* U.S. fleet organization; assignments of U.S. naval vessels and aircraft.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Ernest J. King; Frank Knox.
- 0156 **MR 404 (1), Section 1: Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—Acquisition, Construction, 1944–1945.** 12pp.  
*Major Topics:* Information on HMS *Vanguard*; disposition of captured enemy passenger liners; construction of destroyer escort vessels.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- 0168 **MR 404 (2): Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—Composition of Task Forces, August 1942–May 1944.** 829pp.  
These folders consist of lists of U.S. naval vessels and submarines assigned to the various task forces of the U.S. Navy, both in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. The lists also provide the names of task force commanders and the numerical designations of the task forces themselves and the composition and numerical designations of the task groups into which they are divided.
- 0168 **Section 1: August–October 1942.** 67pp.  
0235 **Section 2: November 1942.** 23pp.  
0258 **Section 3: December 1942.** 25pp.  
0283 **Section 4: January–February 1943.** 56pp.  
0339 **Section 5: March 1943.** 30pp.  
0369 **Section 6: April 1943.** 31pp.  
0400 **Section 7: May–June 1943.** 64pp.  
0464 **Section 8: July 1943.** 39pp.  
0503 **Section 9: August 1943.** 43pp.  
0546 **Section 10: September–October 1943.** 84pp.  
0630 **Section 11: November 1943.** 46pp.  
0676 **Section 12: December 1943.** 50pp.  
0726 **Section 13: January 1944.** 50pp.  
0776 **Section 14: February 1944.** 54pp.  
0830 **Section 15: March 1944.** 54pp.  
0884 **Section 16: April 1944.** 57pp.  
0941 **Section 17: May 1944.** 56pp.

## Reel 3

### MR 404 (2) cont.—MR 404 (3)

- 0001 **MR 404 (2): Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—Composition of Task Forces, June 1944–April 1945.** 755pp.  
0001 **Section 18: June 1944.** 57pp.  
0058 **Section 19: July 1944.** 62pp.  
0120 **Section 20: August 1944.** 62pp.  
0182 **Section 21: September 1944.** 68pp.  
0250 **Section 22: October 1944.** 70pp.  
0320 **Section 23: November 1944.** 75pp.  
0395 **Section 24: December 1944.** 68pp.  
0463 **Section 25: January 1945.** 66pp.  
0529 **Section 26: February 1945.** 75pp.  
0604 **Section 27: March 1945.** 74pp.  
0678 **Section 28: April 1945.** 78pp.
- 0756 **MR 404 (2), Section 29: Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—Assignment of Naval Vessels, November 1944.** 178pp.  
*Major Topic:* Assignments of U.S. naval vessels and aircraft  
*Principal Correspondent:* James Forrestal.
- 0934 **MR 404 (3), Section 1: Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—Atlantic and Pacific Fleet Organization, 1942–1943.** 80pp.

## Reel 4

### MR 404 (3) cont.—MR 410.1 (2)

- 0001 **MR 404 (3), Section 1: Fleet Composition, Composition of Task Forces—Atlantic and Pacific Fleet Organization, 1942–1943 cont.** 123pp.
- 0124 **MR 410: Allied Ship Location, Sailings and Activity—Locations of U.S. Naval Forces Reports, January 1944–April 1945.** 659pp.  
These reports provide monthly information on the location of U.S. naval forces of both the Atlantic and Pacific fleets. They list the sailing date, the port of departure, the ship's mission, the ship type and numerical designation, the task force or task group to which the ship is assigned, and its estimated arrival date.
- 0124 **Section 16: January 1944.** 34pp.  
0158 **Section 17: February 1944.** 39pp.  
0197 **Section 18: March 1944.** 39pp.  
0236 **Section 19: April 1944.** 40pp.  
0276 **Section 20: May 1944.** 40pp.  
0316 **Section 21: June 1944.** 39pp.  
0355 **Section 22: July 1944.** 41pp.  
0396 **Section 2: August 1944.** 43pp.  
0439 **Section 24: September 1944.** 42pp.  
0481 **Section 25: October 1944.** 45pp.  
0526 **Section 26: November 1944.** 44pp.  
0570 **Section 27: December 1944.** 45pp.  
0615 **Section 28: January 1945.** 43pp.  
0658 **Section 29: February 1945.** 45pp.  
0703 **Section 30: March 1945.** 47pp.  
0750 **Section 31: April 1945.** 33pp.

- 0783 **MR 410.1 (2): Allied Ship Location, Sailings and Activity—Locations of U.S. Naval Forces and Aircraft, July–December 1942.** 225pp.  
These reports provide monthly information on the location of U.S. naval forces and aircraft of both the Atlantic and Pacific fleets. They list the ship's name, the sailing date, the port of departure, the ship's mission, the task force or task group to which the ship is assigned, and its estimated arrival date. The sections on the locations of naval aircraft list the numerical designation of the aircraft squadron, the number of planes assigned to it, and the command to which they are assigned.
- 0783 **Section 1: July [1942].** 34pp.  
0817 **Section 2: August [1942].** 34pp.  
0851 **Section 3: September [1942].** 41pp.  
0892 **Section 4: October 1942.** 42pp.  
0934 **Section 5: November 1942.** 40pp.  
0974 **Section 6: December 1942.** 34pp.

## Reel 5

### MR 410.1 (2) cont.—MR 410.2 (1)

- 0001 **MR 410.1 (2): Allied Ship Location, Sailings and Activity—Locations of U.S. Naval Forces and Aircraft, January–December 1943.** 452pp.
- 0001 **Section 7: January 1943.** 40pp.  
0041 **Section 8: February 1943.** 42pp.  
0083 **Section 9: March 1943.** 44pp.  
0127 **Section 10: April 1943.** 49pp.  
0176 **Section 11: May 1943.** 29pp.  
0205 **Section 12: June 1943.** 51pp.  
0256 **Section 13: July 1943.** 29pp.  
0285 **Section 14: August–September 1943.** 59pp.  
0344 **Section 15: October–November 1943.** 64pp.  
0408 **Section 15a: December 1943.** 45pp.
- 0453 **MR 410.2 (1): Allied Ship Location, Sailings and Activity—United Kingdom Ship and Sub Locations, May 1942–December 1943.** 598pp.  
These reports provide monthly information relating to the movements and location of British Royal Navy ships and submarines. They list the ship's name, type, armament, designated speed and last known location, destination, and the distribution of Royal Navy units in the various theaters of operations. Information on carriers also lists the number of planes carried.
- 0453 **Section 1: May–September 1942.** 129pp.  
0582 **Section 2: October–November 1942.** 61pp.  
0643 **Section 3: December 1942–March 1943.** 123pp.  
0766 **Section 4: April–August 1943.** 149pp.  
0915 **Section 5: September–December 1943.** 136pp.

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### MR 410.2 (1) cont.—MR 412

- 0001 **MR 410.2 (1): Allied Ship Location, Sailings and Activity—United Kingdom Ship and Sub Locations, January 1944–April 1945.** 483pp.  
0001 **Section 6: January–June 1944.** 189pp.  
0190 **Section 7: July–December 1944.** 187pp.  
0377 **Section 8: January–April 1945.** 107pp.
- 0484 **MR 411 (4), Section 1: Allied Sub Location, Sailing and Activity—Movement of Russian Ships, 1942–1943.** 137pp.  
*Major Topics:* Movements of Soviet ships; estimates of Soviet merchant shipping position in the Pacific; Soviet-Japanese shipping agreement; Japanese detention of Soviet ships; Soviet convoy operations; Soviet submarine operations.
- 0621 **MR 412, Section 1: Operation Orders, Assignment of Allied Naval Vessels, 1943–October 1944.** 312pp.  
*Major Topics:* Assignments of U.S. naval vessels; operations orders for U.S. naval task groups; U.S. air support for Leyte operations; Battle off Cape Engano; Japanese submarine operations in the Philippine Sea; Allied landings at Leyte in the Philippines; support of operations in the SWPA by the U.S. Pacific Fleet; U.S. air strikes against Okinawa, Formosa, Luzon, and the Visayas; organization of U.S. carrier divisions in the Pacific; operations orders and assignment of landing craft; LST requirements for OVERLORD and ANVIL.  
*Principal Correspondents:* William F. Halsey; Dwight D. Eisenhower, George C. Marshall; Sir Henry Maitland Wilson; Douglas MacArthur.
- 0933 **MR 412, Section 2: Operation Orders, Assignment of Allied Naval Vessels, November–December 1944.** 138pp.  
*Major Topics:* Assignment of U.S. naval vessels; operations orders for U.S. naval task groups; operations orders and assignment of landing craft; U.S. air strikes and naval bombardment against Iwo Jima; U.S. air operations in the Philippines.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- 1071 **MR 412, Section 3: Operation Orders, Assignment of Allied Naval Vessels, January–April 1945.** 69pp.  
*Major Topics:* Assignment of U.S. naval vessels; Battle of Okinawa; operations orders for U.S. naval task groups; Battle of Iwo Jima; assignment of landing craft; U.S. landings at Lingayen in the Philippines.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Douglas MacArthur; Harold Alexander; Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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### MR 412 (2)—MR 430

- 0001 **MR 412 (2), Section 1: Operation Orders, Assignment of Allied Naval Vessels—Assignment of British Pacific Fleet, 1944–1945.** 111pp.  
*Major Topics:* Operations orders and assignments for units of the British Pacific Fleet; British submarine operations; Battle of Okinawa; use of naval facilities in the SWPA by the British Pacific Fleet; reorganization of British Pacific Fleet.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Chester Nimitz; Ernest J. King.
- 0112 **MR 420 (1), Section 1: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Warships, 1942.** 260pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of sinkings of Allied warships; grounding of USS *Alabama* in the Chesapeake Bay; Allied battle damage reports; reports regarding collisions of naval vessels; salvage operations for USS *Wakefield*.

- 0372 **MR 420 (1), Section 2: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Warships, January–November 1944.** 272pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of sinkings of Allied warships; Allied battle damage reports; reports regarding collision of naval vessels; list of Allied ship losses during Operation OVERLORD and Operation SHINGLE; U.S. attack on Biak Island.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Douglas MacArthur.
- 0644 **MR 420 (1), Section 3: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Warships, November–December 1944.** 220pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied battle damage reports; reports of sinkings of Allied warships; reports on storm damage to Third Fleet caused by a typhoon; reports regarding collision of naval vessels.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Ernest J. King; Chester Nimitz; William F. Halsey.
- 0864 **MR 420 (1), Section 4: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Warships, January–April 1945.** 145pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied battle damage reports; Battle of Okinawa; Battle of Iwo Jima; reports regarding collision of naval vessels; reports of sinkings of Allied warships; Allied naval operations in Manila Bay; Allied landings at Lingayen in the Philippines.
- 1010 **MR 430, Section 1: [Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Merchant Ships, March–June 1943].** 117pp.  
*Major Topic:* Lists of Allied merchant ship casualties.

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### MR 430 cont.–MR 440 (3)

- 0001 **MR 430, Section 2: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Merchant Ships, January–December 1944.** 250pp.  
*Major Topics:* Lists of Allied merchant ship casualties; reports regarding sinkings of and damage to Allied merchant vessels; enemy attacks on Allied convoys; appointment of Karl Doenitz as head of the German Navy; report on German submarine attacks on Allied merchant shipping.
- 0251 **MR 430, Section 3: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Merchant Ships—Merchant Ship Losses, 1942–1944.** 351pp.  
*Major Topic:* Lists of Allied merchant ship casualties.
- 0602 **MR 430, Section 4: Attacks and Sinkings of Allied Merchant Ships, January–April 1945.** 102pp.  
*Major Topics:* Lists of Allied merchant ship casualties; reports on sinkings of and damage to Allied merchant vessels.
- 0704 **MR 430.1, Section 1: Survivors of Allied Ships Sunk, 1944–1945.** 40pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding search and rescue operations for survivors of sinkings of Allied merchant ships and crashes of Allied planes.
- 0744 **MR 430 (2), Section 2: Sub Attack and Sighting Summary, November 1942–December 1943.** 266pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of enemy submarine sightings; reports regarding attacks on enemy submarines by Allied naval vessels and aircraft; reports of enemy submarine attacks on Allied merchant shipping.
- 1010 **[MR 430: Location Maps, December 1942–February 1945].** 50pp.  
*Major Topic:* Maps showing approximate location of Allied merchant ship losses.

- 1060 **MR 440 (3), Section 1: Convoys—Numbered Convoy Reports [April 1943].** 50pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to Allied convoy operations; reports relating to enemy submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports of enemy submarine sightings; Allied antisubmarine operations.

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### MR 440 (3) cont.—MR 442 (1)

- 0001 **MR 440 (3), Section 1: Convoys—Numbered Convoy Reports cont. [December 1942—March 1943].** 150pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to Allied convoy operations; reports relating to enemy submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports of enemy submarine sightings; Allied antisubmarine operations.
- 0151 **MR 440 (3), Section 2: Convoys [April—May 1943].** 166pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to Allied convoy operations; reports relating to enemy submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports of enemy submarine sightings; Allied antisubmarine operations.
- 0317 **MR 440 (3), Section 3: Convoys—Numbered Convoys [May—July 1943].** 136pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to Allied convoy operations; reports relating to enemy submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports of enemy submarine sightings; Allied antisubmarine operations.
- 0453 **MR 440 (1-C): Convoys—Atlantic Convoy Information, September [1942]—November 11, 1943.** 273pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to enemy submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports relating to Allied convoy operations; Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of enemy submarine sightings; Operation TORCH.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- 0726 **MR 440, Section 1: Convoys, October—December 1943.** 18pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of enemy submarine sightings; reports relating to Allied convoy operations; reports relating to enemy submarine attacks on Allied convoys.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- 0744 **MR 440, Section 2: Convoys, 1944—1945.** 43pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to enemy air and submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports relating Allied convoy operations; Allied antisubmarine operations; neutral ship routes in the Atlantic; reports of enemy submarine sightings.
- 0787 **MR 442 (1), Section 1: Convoys—Russian Convoys, 1942.** 208pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied convoy operations for the USSR; German air attacks on Soviet port facilities; Soviet ship movements in the Pacific; reports relating to enemy air and submarine attacks on Allied convoys; report on Arctic supply routes to the USSR; the “Trickle Movement”; Allied antisubmarine operations; arrangements for Soviet convoys; Soviet air operations in support of convoys; reports of merchant ship losses.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Harry Hopkins; Ernest J. King.

- 0995 **MR 442 (1), Section 2: Convoys—Russian Convoys, 1943.** 170pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied convoy operations for the USSR; condition of Soviet port facilities; Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of merchant ship losses; German air attacks on Soviet port facilities; reports relating to enemy air and submarine attacks on Allied convoys; Soviet climatic conditions; Arctic supply routes to the USSR; Soviet ship movements in the Pacific; morale of American seamen in USSR.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Wilson Brown; W. Averell Harriman; Ernest J. King; William D. Leahy; Harry Hopkins; Emory S. Land.
- 1165 **MR 442 (1), Section 3: Convoys—Russian Convoys, 1944–1945.** 64pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to enemy air and submarine attacks on Allied convoys; Allied convoy operations for the USSR; reports of merchant ship losses; plans for opening Allied supply route to Soviet Black Sea ports; Soviet merchant ship identification and routes; Soviet ship movements in the Pacific.  
*Principal Correspondent:* John R. Deane.

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### MR 442 (1) cont.—MR 450 (1)

- 0001 **MR 442 (1), Section 3: Convoys—Russian Convoys, 1944–1945 cont.** 48pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports relating to enemy air and submarine attacks on Allied convoys; reports of merchant ship losses; changes in Soviet merchant ship routes; Soviet ship movements in the Pacific; Soviet merchant ship identification and routes; Allied convoy operations for the USSR.  
*Principal Correspondent:* John R. Deane.
- 0049 **MR 443, Section 1: Convoys—Enemy Convoys, 1944.** 6pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of Japanese convoy movements; plans for evacuation of German troops in Finland.
- 0055 **MR 450 (1): Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, May–June 1942.** 224pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Japanese and German naval vessels; German–Japanese agreement for exchange of strategic war materials; Japanese merchant marine tonnage figures; activities of German and Japanese surface raiders; plans for sinking German battleship, Admiral Von Tirpitz; Battle of Midway; Allied operations against Kiska; French Fleet operations and movements in North Africa.
- 0279 **MR 450 (1), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, 1942.** 15pp.  
*Major Topic:* Strategic and tactical characteristics of the principal combat units of the German and Italian Navies.
- 0294 **MR 450 (1), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, July–August 1942.** 220pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of German and Japanese naval vessels; activities of German surface raiders; report on disposition of the French Fleet; movements of neutral merchant ships; Japanese troop movements to Saigon; estimate of Axis naval strength in the Black Sea.
- 0514 **MR 450 (1), Section 3: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, September–October 1942.** 115pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of German and Japanese naval vessels; disposition of Italian Fleet; Allied operations in the Solomon Islands; Japanese merchant shipping losses.



- 0629 **MR 450 (1), Section 4: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, November–December 1942.** 119pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of German and Japanese naval vessels; supply operations at New Georgia; Japanese Fleet reorganization; movement of neutral merchant ships.
- 0748 **MR 450 (1), Section 5: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Axis Ships, January–August 1943.** 218pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports on the state of the Italian Fleet; reports regarding movements of German and Japanese naval vessels; Japanese merchant shipping; Guadalcanal operations.
- 0966 **MR 450 (1), Section 6: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, September–December 1943.** 175pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Japanese and German naval vessels; movements of the French Fleet; morale of Italian crews; dispositions and status of the Italian Fleet; surrender of Italian merchant vessels; reports on Italian merchant shipping; surrender of Italy.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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### MR 450 (1) cont.—MR 450 (2)

- 0001 **MR 450 (1), Section 7: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, January–October 1944.** 221pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Japanese and German naval vessels; operations in Leyte Gulf; Battle of San Bernardino Strait; Battle of Samar; Battle of Surigao Strait; Battle of the Sibuyan Sea; naval battle off Formosa; report on Swedish–German trade; report on Soviet merchant shipping in the Pacific; reports on Swedish merchant shipping; disposition of Italian merchant fleet; report on the Greek merchant marine; report on Finnish merchant fleet; Soviet naval operations in the Black Sea.
- 0222 **MR 450 (1), Section 8: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, November–December 1944.** 365pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Japanese naval vessels; operations in Leyte Gulf; Allied amphibious operations at Mindoro; Japanese convoy operations.
- 0587 **MR 450 (1), Section 9: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity, January–April 1945.** 234pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Japanese naval vessels; Japanese convoy operations; Battle of Okinawa; Allied overflights of Bulgaria; Allied naval operations in Manila Bay; Allied and Japanese naval operations against Luzon.
- 0821 **MR 450 (2): Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Foreign Fleet Locations.** 323pp.  
The following folders contain reports on the locations and dispositions of the German, Italian, Vichy French, Free French, and Japanese fleets. This same information is also provided for the Soviet fleet in Section 1. No information pertaining to the Japanese fleet is included in Sections 9 through 13.  
0821 **Section 1: January–May 1942.** 323pp.

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### MR 450 (2) cont.

- 0001 **MR 450 (2): Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Foreign Fleet Locations cont.** 1,157pp.  
0001 **Section 2: June–August 1942.** 290pp.  
0291 **Section 3: September–October 1942.** 210pp.  
0501 **Section 4: November–December 1942.** 232pp.  
0733 **Section 5: January–February 1943.** 199pp.  
0932 **Section 6: March–April 1943.** 226pp.

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### MR 450 (2) cont.

- 0001 **MR 450 (2): Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Foreign Fleet Locations cont.** 1,094pp.  
0001 **Section 7: May–June 1943.** 245pp.  
0246 **Section 8: July–August 1943.** 203pp.  
0449 **Section 9: September–October 1943.** 61pp.  
0510 **Section 10: November–December 1943.** 67pp.  
0577 **Section 11: January–June 1944.** 190pp.  
0767 **Section 12: July–December 1944.** 199pp.  
0966 **Section 13: January–April 1945.** 129pp.

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### MR 450 (3)–MR 450 (5)

- 0001 **MR 450 (3), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Location of Japanese Warships, May–July 1942.** 208pp.  
*Major Topic:* Reports providing the names, type, units, and locations of Japanese warships.
- 0209 **MR 450 (3), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Location of Japanese Warships, August–September 1942.** 192pp.  
*Major Topic:* Reports providing the names, type, units, and locations of Japanese warships.
- 0401 **MR 450 (3), Section 3: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Location of Japanese Warships, October–November 1942.** 208pp.  
*Major Topic:* Reports providing the names, type, units, and locations of Japanese warships.
- 0609 **MR 450 (4), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Enemy Raiders, 1942–October 1943.** 184pp.  
*Major Topics:* Operations of German and Japanese blockade runners; operations of German and Japanese surface raiders and submarines; Allied operations against enemy surface raiders and blockade runners.  
*Principal Correspondent:* John G. Winant.
- 0793 **MR 450 (4), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Enemy Raiders, December 1943.** 15pp.  
*Major Topic:* Operations of German and Japanese blockade runners.

- 0808 **MR 450 (4), Section 3: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Enemy Raiders, E-Boats, Blockade Runners, 1944.** 33pp.  
*Major Topics:* Operations of German and Japanese blockade runners; operations of German and Japanese surface raiders; Allied operations against enemy surface raiders and blockade runners.
- 0841 **MR 450 (5), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Movement and Activity of French Ships, 1942.** 145pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements and dispositions of Vichy and Free French naval and merchant vessels; scuttling of Vichy French fleet at Toulon; internment of Vichy French warships in the West Indies; status of French naval units in North Africa; strategical and tactical characteristics of the principal combat units of the French Navy.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Dwight D. Eisenhower; George C. Marshall.
- 0986 **MR 450 (5), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Movement and Activity of French Ships, 1943.** 115pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements and dispositions of Vichy and Free French naval and merchant vessels; Allied policy on French naval rearmament; internment of French merchant ships in Argentina; agreements between British government and Charles de Gaulle.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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### MR 450 (5) cont.—MR 451 (2)

- 0001 **MR 450 (5), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Movement and Activity of French Ships, 1943 cont.** 108pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements and dispositions of Vichy and Free French naval and merchant vessels; desertions of French seamen; status of French naval units in North Africa; Free French naval operations; Allied policy on French naval rearmament.  
*Principal Correspondent:* Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- 0109 **MR 450 (5), Section 3: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Movement and Activity of French Ships, 1944–1945.** 20pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements and dispositions of Free French naval and merchant vessels; Free French naval operations; report on status of ships under construction in French naval yards.
- 0129 **MR 450 (6), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Location of Spanish Ships, 1942–1943.** 76pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Spanish merchant and naval vessels; report on Spanish overseas shipping; Allied investigations of carrying of contraband cargoes by Spanish merchant ships.
- 0205 **MR 450 (6), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Location of Spanish and Portuguese Ships, 1944–1945.** 45pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Spanish and Portuguese merchant and naval vessels; analysis of the Spanish merchant marine; lists of Spanish merchant ships; Allied control system for neutral shipping; summaries of Spanish merchant shipping; conditions governing Spanish fishing operations in Newfoundland waters; Portuguese merchant marine summary.

- 0250 **MR 450 (7), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Ship Locations, Sailings, and Activity—Location of Russian Ships, 1942–1945.** 113pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports regarding movements of Soviet merchant vessels; reports on Soviet merchant shipping in the Pacific; Soviet merchant ship identification and routes; Allied convoy operations for the USSR; list of Soviet merchant ships; reports of sinkings of Soviet merchant ships.
- 0363 **MR 451 (1), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity, 1943.** 26pp.  
*Major Topics:* German and Japanese submarine operations; reports of enemy submarine sightings.
- 0389 **MR 451 (1), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity, November–December 1943.** 95pp.  
*Major Topics:* German and Japanese submarine operations; reports of enemy submarine sightings.
- 0484 **MR 451 (1), Section 3: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity, January–June 1944.** 227pp.  
*Major Topics:* German and Japanese submarine operations; reports of enemy submarine sightings.
- 0711 **MR 451 (1), Section 4: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity, July–December 1944.** 229pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; German and Japanese submarine operations; reports of enemy submarine sightings; Japanese merchant marine losses.
- 0940 **MR 451 (1), Section 5: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity, January–April 1945.** 108pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of enemy submarine sightings; German and Japanese submarine operations.
- 1048 **MR 451 (2), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—Midget Sub and Human Torpedo Activity, 1942–1943.** 34pp.  
*Major Topics:* Japanese midget submarine operations; human torpedo testing and description; Japanese midget submarine attack on Sydney, Australia; human torpedo operations.
- 1082 **Enemy Submarine Location Maps, [n.d].** 21pp.

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### MR 451 (2) cont.–MR 451 (4)

- 0001 **Daily Enemy Submarine Location Maps [June–September 1942].** 116pp.
- 0117 **MR 451 (3), Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—Submarine Warfare, February–September 1943.** 119pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports on Allied shipping merchant losses due to enemy submarines; German and Japanese submarine operations; Allied antisubmarine operations; report on Japanese mine-laying submarines; Battle of the Atlantic; Allied convoy operations  
*Principal Correspondent:* Ernest J. King.
- 0236 **MR 451 (3), Section 2: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—Submarine Warfare, November–December 1943.** 55pp.  
*Major Topics:* German submarine operations; reports on Allied merchant shipping losses due to enemy submarines; Battle of the Atlantic; Allied antisubmarine operations; Allied convoy operations.

- 0291 **MR 451 (3), Section 3: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—  
Submarine Warfare: Sub Attack and Sighting Summary, January 1–April 30,  
1944.** 292pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports on sightings of enemy  
submarines; German and Japanese submarine operations; Allied convoy  
operations; reports on Allied merchant shipping losses due to enemy submarines  
*Principal Correspondent:* Wilson Brown.
- 0583 **MR 451 (3), Section 4: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—  
Submarine Warfare: Sub Attack and Sighting Summary, May–December 1944.**  
300pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; German and Japanese submarine  
operations; reports of sightings of enemy submarines; reports on Allied merchant  
shipping losses due to enemy submarines; Allied convoy operations.
- 0883 **MR 451 (3), Section 5: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—  
Submarine Warfare: Sub Attack and Sighting Summary, January–April 1945.**  
97pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; German and Japanese submarine  
operations; Allied convoy operations; reports of sightings of enemy submarines;  
reports on Allied merchant shipping losses due to enemy submarines.
- 0980 **MR 451 (4): Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—ONI Daily  
Summary.** 123pp.  
The following reports contain information relating to enemy submarine sightings,  
enemy submarine operations, and Allied antisubmarine operations. Also provided  
are listings of Allied and neutral merchant shipping losses due to enemy  
submarines. These reports were compiled by the Office of Naval Intelligence  
(ONI).  
0980 **Section 1: August 1943.** 123pp.

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### MR 451 (4) cont.

- 0001 **MR 451 (4): Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—ONI Daily Summary  
cont.** 1,105pp.  
0001 **Section 1: August 1943 cont.** 78pp.  
0079 **Section 2: September 1943.** 329pp.  
0408 **Section 3: November–December 1943.** 314pp.  
0722 **Section 4: January–February 1944.** 309pp.  
1031 **Section 5: March–April 1944.** 75pp.

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### MR 451 (4) cont.

- 0001 **MR 451 (4): Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—ONI Daily Summary  
cont.** 1,131pp.  
0001 **Section 5: March–April 1944 cont.** 240pp.  
0241 **Section 6: May–June 1944.** 297pp.  
0538 **Section 7: July–August 1944.** 311pp.  
0849 **Section 8: September–October 1944.** 283pp.

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### MR 451 (4) cont.–MR 452

- 0001 **MR 451 (4): Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—ONI Daily Summary cont.** 972pp.  
0001 **Section 9: November–December 1944.** 315pp.  
0316 **Section 10: January–February 1945.** 378pp.  
0694 **Section 11: March–April 1945.** 279pp.
- 0973 **MR 451.1, Section 1: Foreign and Enemy Sub Location and Activity—Refueling and Repair of Enemy Subs, 1942–1943.** 50pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of enemy submarine sightings; development of German submarine bases; operations of German submarine supply ships; enemy submarine refueling operations.
- 1023 **MR 452, Section 1 [MR 461, Section 1]: Enemy Sub Sinkings and Attacks, May–August 1942.** 140pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports on sightings of enemy submarines; German submarine operations.
- 1163 **MR 452, Section 2 [MR 461, Section 2]: Enemy Sub Sinkings and Attacks, September–November 1942.** 67pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of sightings of enemy submarines; German submarine operations.

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### MR 452 cont.–MR 460

- 0001 **MR 452, Section 2 [MR 461, Section 2]: Enemy Sub Sinkings and Attacks, September–November 1942 cont.** 86pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of sightings of enemy submarines; German and Japanese submarine operations.
- 0087 **MR 452, Section 3 [MR 461, Section 3]: Enemy Sub Sinkings and Attacks, December 1942–April 1943.** 208pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of sightings of enemy submarines; German and Japanese submarine operations; Allied convoy operations.
- 0295 **MR 452.1, Section 1 [MR 460.1, Section 1]: Monthly Sub Sinking Reports, 1943.** 82pp.  
*Major Topics:* Monthly lists of enemy submarines sunk by the Allies; Allied antisubmarine operations; monthly submarine contact report summaries.
- 0377 **MR 453 (1) [MR 461]: Enemy Sub Sinkings (Probable) and Attacks [May–August 1942].** 221pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of sightings of enemy submarines; Allied antisubmarine operations; German and Japanese submarine operations; report on the Allied use of small craft against submarines.
- 0598 **MR 454, Section 1: Jap Merchant Tonnage Losses, 1942–1943.** 110pp.  
*Major Topic:* Summaries of Japanese merchant ship losses.
- 0708 **MR 454.1, Section 1 [MR 460.1, Section 1]: Submarine Patrol Reports, May 1942–August 1943.** 221pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; Japanese and Allied submarine operations.

- 0929 **MR 454.1, Section 2 [MR 460.1, Section 2]: Submarine Patrol Reports, September–December 1943.** 58pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied submarine operations; Allied antisubmarine operations.
- 0987 **MR 460, Section 1: Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Ships, January–October 1944.** 248pp.  
*Major Topics:* Battle of Leyte Gulf; Japanese and German naval and merchant ship losses; Battle of the Philippine Sea; Battle of the Sibuyan Sea; Allied submarine operations; Battle off Cape Engano; Battle of Surigao Strait; Allied antisubmarine operations; Allied air attack on German battleship Admiral Von Tirpitz; attacks and sinkings of neutral merchant ships.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Douglas MacArthur; Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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### MR 460 cont.–MR 493

- 0001 **MR 460, Section 1: Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Ships, January–October 1944 cont.** 27pp.  
*Major Topics:* U.S. air attacks on Japanese merchant shipping; Japanese and German naval and merchant ship losses; Allied antisubmarine operations; Allied air attack on the German battleship, Admiral Von Tirpitz.
- 0028 **MR 460, Section 2: Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Ships, November 1944–April 12, 1945.** 64pp.  
*Major Topics:* U.S. air attacks on Japanese naval vessels; Japanese and German naval and merchant ship losses; Allied submarine operations.
- 0092 **MR 460.01, Section 1: Survivors of Foreign and Enemy Ship Sinkings, 1944.** 6pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied sea rescue operations; capture of enemy survivors of ship sinkings.
- 0098 **MR 460.1, Section 1: Allied Sub Patrol Reports of Enemy Ship Sinkings, January–June 1944.** 206pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied submarine operations; Japanese naval and merchant ship losses.
- 0304 **MR 460.1, Section 2: Allied Sub Patrol Reports of Enemy Ship Sinkings, July–December 1944.** 271pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied submarine operations; Japanese naval and merchant ship losses.
- 0575 **MR 460.1, Section 3: Allied Sub Patrol Reports of Enemy Ship Attacks, January–April 1945.** 123pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied submarine operations; Japanese naval and merchant ship losses.
- 0698 **MR 461, Section 1: Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Subs, January–December 1944.** 181pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of sightings of enemy submarines; Allied antisubmarine operations.
- 0879 **MR 461, Section 2: Attacks and Sinkings of Foreign and Enemy Subs, January–April 1945.** 15pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied antisubmarine operations; reports of sightings of enemy submarines.
- 0894 **MR 491, Section 1: Mines, Laying of, Location of, Finding of, 1943–1945.** 82pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied mine-laying and mine-sweeping operations; locations of Japanese mine fields.

- 0976 **MR 493, Section 1: Hospital, Relief, Exchange and Refugee Ships, 1942–1943.**  
48pp.  
*Major Topics:* Allied and Japanese hospital ship operations; safe conducts for hospital ships; reports of attacks on hospital ships; descriptions of Japanese, German, and Italian hospital ships.  
*Principal Correspondents:* Ernest J. King; Dwight D. Eisenhower; George C. Marshall.
- 1024 **MR 493, Section 2: Hospital, Relief, Exchange and Refugee Ships, 1944–1945.**  
189pp.  
*Major Topics:* Reports of attacks on hospital ships; safe conducts for hospital ships; Allied, Japanese, and German hospital ship operations; distribution of relief supplies to Allied POWs and civilian internees held by the Japanese and Germans; Allied–German agreement to exchange sick and wounded POWs; lists of Allied, German, Italian, Japanese, and Swedish hospital ships.  
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