



# DECK LOG BOOK

OF THE

U. S. S. KEPLER

DD 765  
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

COMMANDED BY

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Attached to { COMESDIV 242 Division,  
COMESRON TWENTY-FOUR Squadron,  
COMESFLOT FOUR Flotilla,  
COMSECONDFLT Fleet,  
FIRST Naval District,

Commencing 0001 1 NOVEMBER, 1962 ,  
(zone time and date)

at SOUTHEAST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES ,  
(location)

and ending 0000 30 NOVEMBER, 1962 ,  
(zone time and date)

at DAVISVILLE, RHODE ISLAND ,  
(location)

UNITED STATES SHIP KEPPLER (DD 765)FRIDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 1962  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00-04 Steaming independently off the southeast coast of the United States in accordance with CTF Op-Order 1-62. This ship proceeding to rendezvous with the USS SPERRY (DD 697). Base course 055T, base speed 22 knots. Condition of readiness four and material condition ZEBRA (modified) set. 0015 c/c to 056 T. 0146 c/s to 15 knots. 0152 c/s to 12 knots. 0157 c/s to 22 knots. 0210 c/c to 055 T. 0243 c/c to 022. 0308 c/c to 035 T. 0314 c/s to 15 knots. 0333 c/c to 020 T. 0351 c/c to 021 T.

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LTJG, USN

04-08 Steaming as before. 0408 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to take station for tracking surfaced Russian Submarine. When on station submarine will bear 095 T, at 5000 yards. 0415 c/s to 10 knots. 0431 c/s to 5 knots, c/c to 055 T. On station 0435 c/s 4 knots. 0439 c/c to 060 T. 0513 c/s to 8 knots. 0516 c/s to 10 knots. 0527 c/s to 6 knots. 0548 c/c to 055 T. 0555 c/s to 8 knots. 0630 c/c to 100 T. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while taking new station on starboard quarter of surfaced Russian Submarine. When on station, submarine will bear 015 T, at 5000 yards.

*N. A. Mayo*  
N. A. MAYO  
LTJG, USN

08-12 Steaming as before. 0800 mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: BROWN, L. A., 536 01 45, SA, USN; ESPOSITO, F. A., 520 50 95, SA, USN, WOODS, J. P., 598 64 11, FA USN; THOMPSON, C. W., 529 08 54, SA, USN, all having been UA since 0730 21 October 1962. 0815 on station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station. 0955 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12-16 Steaming as before.

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16-18 Steaming as before.

*N. C. Koon*

18-20 Steaming as before.

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20-24 Steaming as before.

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UNITED STATES SHIP KEPPLER (DD 765)

THURSDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1962

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00-04 Steaming independently off the east coast of the United States as a unit of ASWFORLANT in accordance with COMASWFORLANT message 052214Z October 1962. Base course 050 T, base speed 6 knots, while tracking and keeping station on a surfaced Russian submarine. Submarine bears C 0 T, range 2500 yards. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain this bearing and range. Condition of readiness III and material condition ZEBRA (modified) are set.

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LTJG, USN

04-08 Steaming as before. 0645 maneuvering on various courses and speeds submarine tracking dead in water.

*N. A. Mayo*  
N. A. MAYO  
LTJG, USN

08-12 Steaming as before. 0800 mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None. 0805 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while remaining within sight of Russian submarine (Pennant #045) Russian submarine is dead in the water. 0937 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

*N. C. Koon*  
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LTJG, USN

12-16 Steaming as before. 1200 Russian submarine, (Pennant # 945) c/c to 060 T, c/s to 5 knots. 1245 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to take station off the port quarter of the Russian submarine (Pennant #945), when on station the submarine will bear 080 T, range 2000 yards. Base course 060 T, base speed 5 knots. 1330 Russian submarine is dead in the water. Maneuvering at various courses at various speeds to remain within 2000 yards of Russian submarine. 1345 Russian submarine c/c to 060 T, c/s to 6 knots. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to regain station off port quarter of Russian submarine. When on station Russian submarine will bear 080, range 2000 yards. Base course 060, base speed 6 knots. 1445 on station. 1500 the summary court-martial LTJG N. C. KOON, USN opened at 1500 in the case of HOLAN, T. V., 539 98 92, FN, USN.

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LTJG, USN

16-20 Steaming as before. 1725 the summary court martial in the case of HOLAN, T. V., 539 98 92, FN, USN, adjourned to await the action of the conveying authority.

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20-24 Steaming as before.

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UNITED STATES SHIP KEPPLER (DD 765)FRIDAY, 9 NOVEMBER 1962  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00-04 Steaming independently off the east coast of the United States as a unit of ASWFORLANT in accordance with COMASWFORLANT message 052214Z, October 1962. Base course 040 T, base speed 6 knots, while tracking and keeping station on surfaced Russian submarine. Submarine bears 080 T, range 2000 to 2500 yards. Condition of readiness three and material condition ZEBRA (modified) set. 0147 c/s to 8 knots. 0148 c/c to 330 T. 0151 c/s to 6 knots. 0225 c/c to 335 T. 0231 c/c to 120 T. 0235 c/s to 8 knots. 0240 c/c to 140 T. 0245 c/s to 6 knots. 0245 c/c to 160 T. 0250 c/c to 175 T. 0303 c/s to 8 knots, c/c to 185 T. 0308 c/s to 10 knots. 0313 c/c to 175 T. 0316 c/s to 8 knots. 0317 c/s to 6 knots. 0331 c/c to 165 T. 0332 c/s to 7 knots.

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LTJG, USN

04-08 Steaming as before. 0400 sighted three white flares from unidentified contact bearing 170 T, range 8 miles. 0401 c/c to 190 T. 0402 went to General Quarters condition IAS. Set material condition ZEBRA. 0410 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while remaining in sight of Russian submarine and unidentified surface contact as they closed each other. 0627 unidentified surface contact identified as Russian Trawler. 0645 secured from General Quarters. Condition IAS set material condition ZEBRA (modified). 0649 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the beam of the Russian submarine and Russian trawler, distance 2000 yards. 0656 on station. 0701 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to the station 2000 yards astern of Russian submarine and Trawler. 0728 set the sonar attack team, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds in order to maintain sonar contact with the Russian submarine. 0735 submarine submerged.

*N. C. Koon*  
N. C. KOON  
LTJG, USN

08-12 Maneuvering as before. 0800 mustered the crew on station. Absentees: None. 0805 submarine surfaced maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while remaining within sight of the Russian submarine and Russian Trawler. 1045 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1115 secured the sonar attack team. 1120 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to station on the starboard quarter of the Russian Trawler.

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LTJG, USN

12-16 Maneuvering as before. 1255 on station, set course 035, speed 8 knots. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while maintaining station.

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ENS, USNR

16-20 Maneuvering as before. 1630 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to station on the port quarter of the Russian submarine. 1640 on station set course 040 T, speed 9 knots. 1710 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while proceeding to take station on the starboard quarter of the Russian submarine. 1714 on station. Set course 035 T, speed 9 knots.

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LTJG, USN

20-24 Steaming as before. 2123 c/s to 14 knots. 2130 maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to keep station on the starboard quarter of Russian submarine (CS945 range 3000 - 3500 yards. Base course 035 T, base speed 10 knots.

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UNITED STATES SHIP KEPPLER (DD 765)

SUNDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 1962  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00-04 Steaming independently off the east coast of the United States as a unit of ASWFORLANT in accordance with COMASWFORLANT message 052214Z of October 1962. Base course 037 T, base speed 8 knots, while tracking and keeping station on a surfaced Russian submarine (Fennant # 945). Submarine bears 000 T, range 3000-3500 yards. A Russian ATR(PANIR) is accompanying the Russian submarine. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station and to remain at least 1800 yards from the ATR. Condition of readiness III and material condition ZEBRA (modified) are set. 0100 set course 110 T, speed 15 knots enroute to Sao Miguel, Azores in accordance with COMASWFORLANT message 110152Z of November 1962. 0100 set all clocks ahead one hour to conform with OSCAR (+2) time. 0117 c/c to 132 T, c/s to 17 knots. 0120 set condition of readiness IV throughout the ship.

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04-08 Steaming as before.

*N. A. Mayo*  
N. A. MAYO  
LTJG, USN

08-12 Steaming as before. 0800 mustered the crew on stations. Absentees: None. 1000 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

*R. Broder*  
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LTJG, USNR

12-16 Steaming as before.

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16-20 Steaming as before.

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