

- 17 Oct.: Patrolling assigned station.
- 0424 sighted sampan.
- 0440 Manned all guns.
- 0450 Secured four-inch gun because gun crew could not see target at 600 yards.
- 0501 Opened fire on sampan with 20 mm and 40 mm guns. What followed was aptly termed a "jam session" by one of the younger members of the gun crew. Both guns had difficulty maintaining accurate fire and the jams seemed to occur each time the target was brought close aboard under conditions of good visibility. See GUN ATTACH #1.
- 0542 Broke off attack. Target damaged.
- 2300 Received orders from group commander assigning GROMER to patrol station latitude 32-12N, longitude 129-38W.
- 18 Oct.: Enroute new station.

18 Oct. (Cont.):

- 1220 (I) Heard four distant explosions.
- 1725 Heard four distant explosions.
- 1840 Surfaced in the vicinity of new patrol station. Observed many lights along coast, probably from fishing vessels. Patrolled seven to ten miles off coast during the night.

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15 Oct. 1944 (Cont'd)

Bay enroute NAGASAKI or SASEBO.

2247 I Received CTG 17.14 despatch to proceed to assigned station in TSUSHIMA STRAIT. Proceeding at three engine speed to arrive at dawn.

16 Oct. 1944

1542 I Dove for submerged patrol on assigned station.

17 Oct. 1944

0537 I Dove for submerged patrol on assigned station.

2257 I Received CTG 17.14 despatch to proceed to station south of NAGASAKI. Three engine speed enroute station.

18 Oct. 1944

Patrolling submerged on assigned station. Several planes sighted in vicinity of Naval air station on FUKUE SHIMA.

19 Oct. 1944

0543 I Dove for submerged patrol on station.

0833 I Lat. 32 - 23 N., Long 129 - 18 E., sighted patrol boat on SW course. Distance 6 miles.

1415 I Lat. 32 - 24 N., Long 129 - 20 E., sighted patrol boat on NE course. This is the same boat in appearance as sighted this morning.

2300 I Received ComSubPac's despatch discontinuing station patrol off NAGASAKI. Commenced patrol toward DANJO GUNTO ISLE toward which the patrol boat had been heading when sighted this morning. Will then proceed to vicinity of O SHIMA ISLE where smoke of two vessels had been sighted on the 15th and patrol along the path these ships had