

OPNAV 24 HOUR RESUME OF EVENTS
270000 to 280000

CHRONOLOGY OF MAJOR EVENTS - (ALL TIMES QUEBEC - WASHINGTON)

- 0000 Situation as of 270000 QUEBEC resume.
- 0032 Submarine contact C-19 reported "hot" at 26-07N, 65-02W. ✓
- 0150 DIA offered CINCLANT twelve teams of specialists for possible use. Ready within 24 hours.
- 0155 CINCONAD promulgates Rules of Engagement for Florida Area.
- 0200 NFSO, Washington reports NAS KWest JP4 fuel resupply problems should be solved by additional 10,000 barrel storage in barge. To be in place no later 3 Nov. Three barge shuttles from Tampa to KWest will provide necessary resupply. Shuttle barges available today.
- 0310 Quarantine line filled with the exception of stations 4,6 and 12. LAWRENCE and MC DONOUGH - GROZNYI intercept designees. Forenoon intercept plan. CTG 136 has been directed to send DD to intercept MARITZA. BIGELOW ordered to take station 4, PIERCE station 12 upon return to line.
- 0330 CINCLANT reports no new SSM or SAM sites discovered. Work on MUM sites continue. Hurried camouflage attempts in progress. Three IL-28 assembled, 4 more partially assembled.
- 0340 Submarine Contact E-52 at 34-5N, 74-19W reported "hot" by CINCLANTFLT Ops. SOSUS verified by JEZEBEL.
- 0345 CINCLANTFLT directed CTF 136 to intercept PELLA (Lebanese) in vicinity of Quarantine Line. If visual top-side inspection reveals nothing of suspicious nature no trail authorized. In any event PELLA will not be boarded unless further direction to do so is received. PELLA posit of 261600; 25-48N, 60-00W, Course 256 with speed 19.5 kts.
- 0455 COMSERVLANT directed HYADES to load remainder of MCB- 7 and proceed GTMO. ETD DAVISVILLE, R.I., 291600.
- 0555 CINCLANT plan for reduction of acft at KWEST received. (See Significant items section).
- 0835 CINCLANTFLT directed CTF 136 to conduct GROZNYI intercept. MC DONOUGH and LAWRENCE to radar track, remaining out of sight.
- 0840 CINCLANT requests JCS authorize MSTTS to preposition MSTTS transports.

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- 0915 Ten A4D-2N (VA-34) on board ENTERPRISE. TF-135 exercising max mobility because of potential submarine threat north of Jamaica. For present operating in southern sector from GTMO. TG 135.1 and TG 135.2 now operating south 180°N and east and west of JAMAICA CHANNELL respectively.
- 0920 Flag Plot informed MARITZA is of GREEK registry; PELLA, Lebanese. Neither under charter.
- 0930 MACDONOUGH passed GROZNY port to port at 3000 yards. ✓
- 1030 COMDESRON 18 in DAHLGREN underway from YORKTOWN to GTMO. ETD 280400.
- 1033 F8U photo reconnaissance flights executed. (See Summary in SIGNIFICANT ITEMS section) ✓
- 1046 MACDONOUGH on station 18 miles north of GROZNY.
- 1210 KARL MARK, soviet oiler, reported located by VP-8 acft, 30-55N 42-55W at 1043. Course 249, Speed 5 kts.
- 1300 Soviet ship MIRODESSA sighted by VP-26 acft at about 270908 at position 31-30N, 73-45W. Course 235, speed 17 Kts.
- 1305 CINCLANTFLT adds missile propellant compounds and essential chemicals to prohibited list.
- 1320 F8U Reconnaissance morning flights returned. (See SIGNIFICANT ITEMS Section). ✓
- 1321 CINCLANT OPORDER 49-62 promulgated. (See SIGNIFICANT ITEMS section).
- 1405 CINCLANTFLT directed COMCRUDESANT to position one AD at SJUAN by 1 November.
- 1425 Additional Quarantine Line stations 13 and 14 added at NW end of line.
- 1530 Quarantine Line divided into three sectors for logistic support. Three AO's assigned.
- 1630 COMASWFORLANT requested AVP's for support of VP squadrons in C Caribbean. First at SJUAN, second at BERMUDA. (If available).
- 1700 Incident reported by F8U photo recce received. (See SIGNIFICANT ITEMS section). ✓
- 1710 COMASWFORLANT requested early procurement of 1000 Canadian Jezebel Sonobuoys.
- =1730 JCS reaction time for military actions related to Cuba promulgated. (See SIGNIFICANT ITEMS section).

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Interception Area boundaries. (See SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

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- 1750 COMASWFORLANT will utilize Naval Air Reserve Acft for weekend patrols.
- 1800 5TH MEB sailed 271400. ETA BALBOA 5 November.
- 2000 CINCLANTFLT directed DDR TACAN ships in Florida Sts to be within 1 1/2 hours of station.
- 2110 COMPAIRWING THREE OpOrd 12-62 promulgated. WV/VP/SS/SOSUS barrier to be established by 280800.
- 2215 JCS directed AGC in Mediterranean (POCONO) to CINCLANT OP CON ASAP (See MOVEMENT & SITSUM 280000).
- 2303 CINCONAD Rules of Engagement amplified. Non nuclear weapons only for Cuba engagement with Cuba alone. If Sino/Soviet.Cuban attacks nuclear weapons may be used.

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INTERCEPT ITEMS OF IMMEDIATE
INTEREST

Soviet GROZNYI expected to pass through quarantine line at about 0300R between stations 4 and 5. MACDONOUGH and LAWRENCE trailing astern and out of sight.

Lebanese ship PELLA reporting her position to Antilles C.G. estimated at about 40 miles west of the patrol line (station 6). She carries sulfate ammonia and general cargo. GEARING directed to to PELLA

Greek Ship MARITZA expected to pass through Quarantine Line in the vicinity of station 11 at about 0600R. Cargo not known. STEINAKER enr to intercept.

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The Joint Chiefs have requested comments from CINCONAD on CINCONAD portion of CINCLANT's plan to reduce concentration of acft at Southern Florida bases. Affects relocation of 8 acft from VFAW(3). The rest of CINCLANT reduction plans effect 15% reduction by relocation of 113 acft from Florida bases.

CINCLANTFLT has promulgated Air Quarantine msg OpOrder for Cuba (OPORD 49-62) Execution Commanders (1) CTF 84 (COMCARIBSEAFRON) responsible for limited air quarantine eastern Cuba with forces based at ROOS RDS and the Puerto Rican National Guard when made available by COMANTDEFCON. CTF 135 (COMCARDIV 2) - responsible for limited air quarantine of southern and eastern Cuba with forces assigned. CINCONAD will assist. Area: Coastal ADIZ or within range of CONAD Air Defense System.

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COMCARDIV 18 (LEXINGTON) informed COMNAVAIRLANT that he has grounded all HSS-2 helos (Squadron 9) pending investigation of control malfunction.

Air Force Reserve Forces have been ordered by the President to extend active duty 280900 Local for 12 consecutive months unless otherwise relieved. They are ordered to active military service in place. Gaining command is TAC. Call-up composed of following:

- 14,214 AF Personnel.
- Eight WINGS (3 squadrons per WING)
- Sixteen acft per Squadron.
- Two WING hdqtrs plus supporting units.
- Twentyone squadrons of C-119s and three squadrons of C-123's.
- Total acft - 384

JCS has approved CINCLANT text for leaflet drop on Cuba and in preparation for higher approval of the concept for operations has requested details of timing, targets, when this drop could be initiated, and the number of acft involved.

NOTE: CINCAFLANT plans for sixteen F-105 acft with top cover of sixteen F-104 acft, which will not come within range of SAM missiles unless necessary to engage.

JCS promulgated timing of military actions related to Cuba (Reaction Time) Low Level Recco - Selected Targets - 2 hours; Reprisal Strike single SA-2 Site - 2 hours. Air Strikes against all SA-2 Sites - 2 hours; Full Air Strike - 12 hours. Implement CINCLANT 316/62; Initial assault - Decision day plus seven days; all forces ashore - Decision day plus eighteen days.

CINCLANT has completed movement tables for CINCLANT OPLAN 316 (7 days). The XVIII ABN Corps has the ability to air land 3 additional battle groups on D-Day. Lift is not available.

COMSERVLANT planners report all MCBs committed. Advises CINCLANTFLT that he cannot undertake project to reactivate magazines at Vieques. MCB SIX will support 2ND MEF. May entail early lift.

CINCLANTFLT requested CNO/BUWEPS to all action d feasible to fill ammo and sonobuoy shortages and improve east coast back-up capabilities.

"Interception area" for Quarantine of Cuba directed by SECDEF as the area within the radius of 500 miles (center Havana) and radius of 500 miles (center Maisi, eastern tip of Cuba). Does not preclude shadow and/or surveillance outside of "Interception area".

MATS dispersal concept (General War Imminent) for nine squadrons (131 acft) approved by hdqtrs USAF, utilizing Navy and Marine bases in Nevada, Arizona, Calif., Tenn., and Georgia. MATS now requests Navy concurrence and assistance in prepositioning spares.

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