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From: Commanding Officer.  
To : Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.  
Via : (1) Commander Task Unit 76.1.1 and Commander  
Task Unit 76.1.E2  
(Commander LST Flotilla SEVEN)  
(2) Commander Task Group 76.1  
(Commander Amphibious Group SIX)  
(3) Commander Task Force 76.  
(Commander SEVENTH Amphibious Force)  
(4) Commander SEVENTH Fleet.

Subject: Tarakan Operation - Action Report.

Reference: (a) Article 762 U.S. Navy Regulations, 1920.  
(b) Com7thFib Conf. ltr. Ser 0563 of 10 March 1945.  
(c) G.T.F. 76 Op-Plan No. 10-45.  
(d) G.T.G. 76.1 Attack Order No. 604-45.

1. In accordance with reference (d) this vessel beached at Kium Beach, Moratai, Maluku Islands at 0835 on 21 April 1945 and started loading 225 tons of bulk cargo, 76 vehicles, and 401 R.A.A. personnel. Loading was completed 22 April 1945 at 1030. At 1610 on 27 April 1945 this ship formed in convoy with attack Group 76.1 and proceeded in cruising formation according to reference (d) for Tarakan Island off the coast of north east Borneo.

2. At 0645 on 1 May 1945, this ship debouched 10 LVTs which formed part of the first two assault waves. At 0655 on 1 May 1945, one torpedo passed abeam on the starboard side of this ship at a distance of 20 yards traveling from bow to stern. U.S.S. Rushmore (LSD 14) later reported same torpedo as hitting starboard side of their ship and doing no damage. At 0932 on May 3d 1945 commenced unloading of vehicles and bulk cargo on LVTs and LCUs. Unloading was completed at 0945 on May 5th 1945.

3. Performance of ordnance material was up to standard. No ammunition was expended by this ship.

4. No damage was received by this ship from enemy action.

5. Performance of engineering and communication material was up to standard.

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6. Performance of personnel was up to standard. There were no casualties.

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