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Serial No. 255.

U. S. S. LST 667

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6 May 1945.

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From: The Commanding Officer.  
To: The Commander in Chief, U. S. Fleet.  
Via: 1. The Commander, Task Unit 78.1.16.  
2. The Commander, Task Group 78.1.  
3. The Commander, Task Force 78.  
4. The Commander, SEVENTH (7th) Fleet.

Subject: Action Report on Sadau Island, Borneo Operation  
and Demolition Operation on Tarakan Island.

References: (a) CTF 78 OpPlan 10-45.  
(b) ComPhib GrpSIX Attack Order A-604-45.

1. No opposition encountered on Sadau Island, Borneo.
2. During afternoon demolition operation, sniper fire was encountered. No casualties suffered.
3. Ship's personnel and material satisfactory.

W. S. BIRNAT.

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U. S. S. LST 667

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San Francisco, Cal.  
22 May 1945.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

From: The Commanding Officer.  
To: The Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Fleet.  
Via: 1. The Commander, Task Unit 78.1.16.  
2. The Commander, Task Group 78.1.  
3. The Commander, Task Force 78.  
4. The Commander, SEVENTH (7th) Fleet.  
  
Subject: Action Report on Sadau Island, Borneo Operation  
and Demolition Operation on Tarakan Island,  
Borneo.

References: (a) CominCh RESTRICTED Serial 7152 of  
29 October 1943.  
(b) CTF 78 Opplan 10-45.  
(c) ComPhibGrp-6 Attack Order A-604-45.

Enclosures: ✓ (A) Combined Readiness, Beaching and  
Loading Report. -p.2  
✓ (B) Combat Area Operation Report. -p.4

1. In accordance with Reference (a), Enclosures  
(A) and (B) are submitted herewith.

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W. S. BIERNAT.

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## ENCLOSURE (A).

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CONFIDENTIAL COMBINED READINESS, BEACHING AND LOADING REPORTPlace Morotai Island.Date 26 April 1945.Beached on Blue Beach 1343 21 April 1945.Started Loading 1550 21 April 1945.Loaded 100%Retracted Time 1635 22 April 1945.Draft After Retraction: Forward 6'3" Aft 13'6"Remarks on Loading: Progressed satisfactorily - Dry ramp.

<u>Units Loaded</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officers</u>
U. S. Navy Mobile Comm. Unit #14	17	4
U. S. Navy Malariology Unit #98	3	1
CBMU #565	10	0
727th Amphib. Tractor Bn.	34	1
2/45 Aust. Tpt. P. I.	20	0
2/63 Aust. LAD	1	0
2/7 Aust. Fd. Regt.	15	2
Unit B, Detach. 2/12 Aust. Field Amb.	5	1
RA Naval Beach Commando RANR	5	1
Unit 1, Aust. ORD	5	0
2/13 Aust. FD COY RAE	79	9
Det. 50 Aust. Cepher Sec.	1	0
Det. 3 Aust. Wireless St(LT)	3	0
2/4 Aust. Commando Sqn A Tp.	165	11
2/3 Aust. Pioneer Bn.	34	1
158 Aust. LLA BTY, 53 Aust. AA Regt.	17	1
Total Passengers <u>446</u> No. of Vehicles <u>35</u>		

Total Cargo 195 Tons Mobile Cargo 22 TonsBulk 64 Tons Gas Cargo 94 Tons Explosives 15 TonsProvisions, status of: Dry: 72 Tons Fresh: 3 1/2 Tons GSK: Fair QuantityShip's Services: \$2000 (By inventory)Fuel: 78,000 Gals. Water: 90,000 Gals. Lube Oil: 2000 Gals.No. of Drums: None Type: #9370Any major items to hamper operations: NoneAny minor derangements or faults: None

Maximum Speed: 10 Knots RPM's Stb - 310 RPM's Port - 310.

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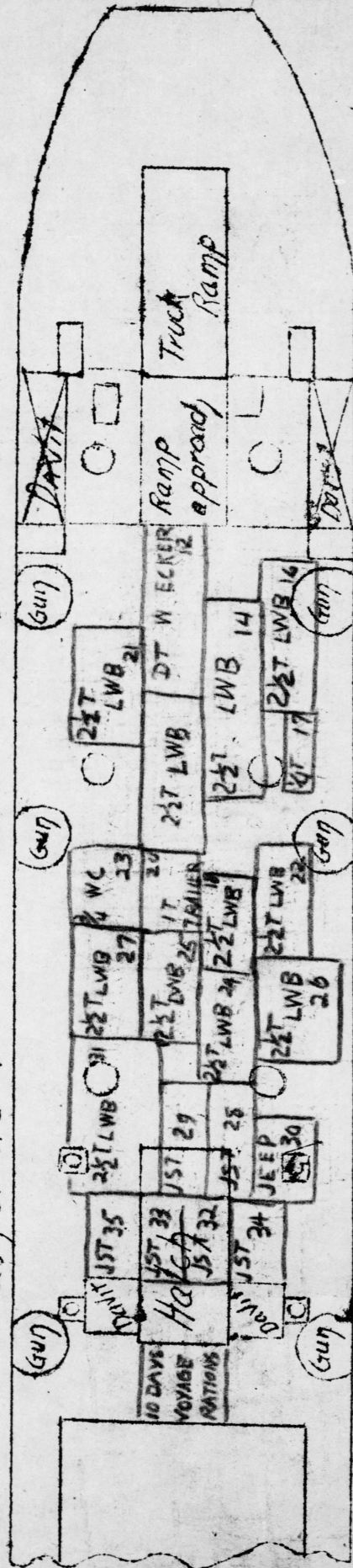
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W. S. BIERNAT, Lt., USN,  
Commanding.



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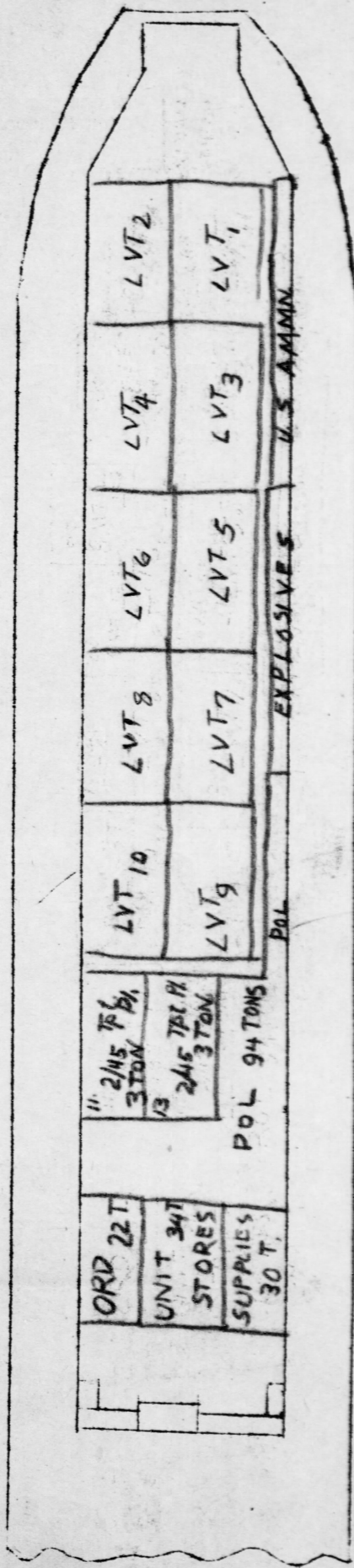
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ENCLOSURE (B).

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COMBAT AREA OPERATION REPORT

U. S. S. LST 667

Date 16 May 1945.

OPERATION	ECHELON	TASK UNIT	DATES	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTION AND ACCOMPLISHMENT, MILES STEAMED, CASUALTIES, ETC.
CTF 78 op Plan 10-45 CTG 78.1 operation ComAmphib Grp Six Attack Order No. A 604-45	Echelon O-1-E	78.1.16 Sadau Attack Unit	1430 Left Leyte 12 Apr 1945 0937 Arrived Morotai 16 Apr 1945 1515 Left Morotai 26 Apr 1945 0630 Arrived Tarakan Is. Borneo 30 Apr 1945 (P-1)	In this operation of Sadau Island (P-1) and Tarakan Island (P day), this ship served as a combat-loaded and surgically staffed ship. Rehearsals for this operation were held at Morotai on 23 April 1945 for Sadau Island operation and on 24 April 1945 for Tarakan Island operation. On P-1 day this ship's small boats took Australian troops into Sadau Island beach on schedule. No opposition was encountered. At 1100 of P-1 day small boats and LVT's from this ship, carrying demolition teams, destroyed obstacles on objective beach at Tarakan Island. Light rifle fire was encountered, no casualties suffered. Two small boats stranded on beach due to rapid ebbing tide. At 1430 on P-1 day another similar run was made on the objective beach to complete demolition operation. All small boats and LVT's returned to this ship. Two LCVP's in operation. No casualties suffered. This ship retired to join P day convoy. On P day, this ship launched four small boats to disembark troops. The landing was on schedule and unopposed. No casualties were suffered. Unloading was accomplished in the stream by LCT's and LCM's due to exceedingly poor beaching conditions. This ship served as casualty receiving ship during the
	Echelon O-1-F	78.1.12 LST Unit	0600 Arrived Tarakan Is. Borneo 1 May 1945 (P day)	
			1630 Left Tarakan Island 13 May 1945 1500 Arrived Morotai 16 May 1945	

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OPERATION	ECHELON	TASK UNIT	DATES	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTION AND ACCOMPLISHMENT, MILES STEAMED, CASUALTIES, ETC.
				<p>entire period from P-1 day to P+12 day. This ship was used to aid the retraction of two LST's stranded on the beach.</p> <p>No contact was made with enemy surface units or enemy aircraft. No casualties were sustained by ship's company. Miles steamed round trip from Mortai to Tarakan Island, Borneo. - 1300 miles.</p>
				<p><i>W. S. Biernat</i> W. S. BIERNAT, Lt., USN, Commanding.</p>

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT to  
LST 667 Conf Ltr  
Ser. 281 of 5-22-45.

From: Commander Task Unit 78.1.16.  
To : Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.  
Via : (1) Commander Task Group 78.1  
(2) Commander Task Force 78  
(3) Commander SEVENTH Fleet

Subject: Action Report - SADAU ISLAND Landing and Obstacle  
Removal Operation, TARAkan, BORNEO.

1. Forwarded.

2. The performance of this vessel and personnel in  
subject operations on 30 April 1945 and in the period following  
PETER minus ONE Day as casualty receiving ship was satisfactory.

*Chas. W. Gray*  
CHAS. W. GRAY.

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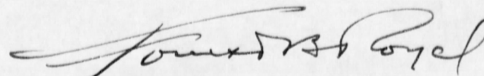
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CO USS LST 667 conf ltr  
ser 281 dated 22 May 1945.

From: Commander Amphibious Group SIX (CTG 78.1).  
To : Commander in Chief, U. S. Fleet.  
Via : (1) Commander SEVENTH Amphibious Force (CTF 78).  
(2) Commander SEVENTH Fleet.

Subject: Action Report - SADAU ISLAND Landing and  
Obstacle Removal Operation, TARAKAN, BORNEO.

1. Forwarded.

2. As the principal transport unit for the preliminary landing and obstacle demolition operations at TARAKAN the LST 667 gave an excellent performance. Her report is complete and accurate.

  
FORREST B. ROYAL

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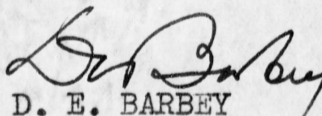
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THIRD ENDORSEMENT to:  
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ltr., serial 281 of 22  
May 1945.

From: Commander Task Force SEVENTY-EIGHT.  
(Commander SEVENTH Amphibious Force)  
To: Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Fleet.  
Via: Commander SEVENTY Fleet.  
Subject: Action Report - SADAU ISLAND Landing and  
Obstacle Removal Operation, TARAkan, BORNEO.  
1. Forwarded.

  
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CO USS LST 667

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FOURTH ENDORSEMENT on:

CO, USS LST 667 Conf.  
ltr., serial 281, of  
22 May 1945.

From: Commander Seventh Fleet.  
To : Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.

Subject: Action Report - SADAU ISLAND Landing and  
Obstacle Removal Operation, TARAkan, BORNEO.

1. Forwarded.

2. The excellent performance of U.S.S. LST 667 is  
noted with pleasure.

*T. C. Kinkaid*

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