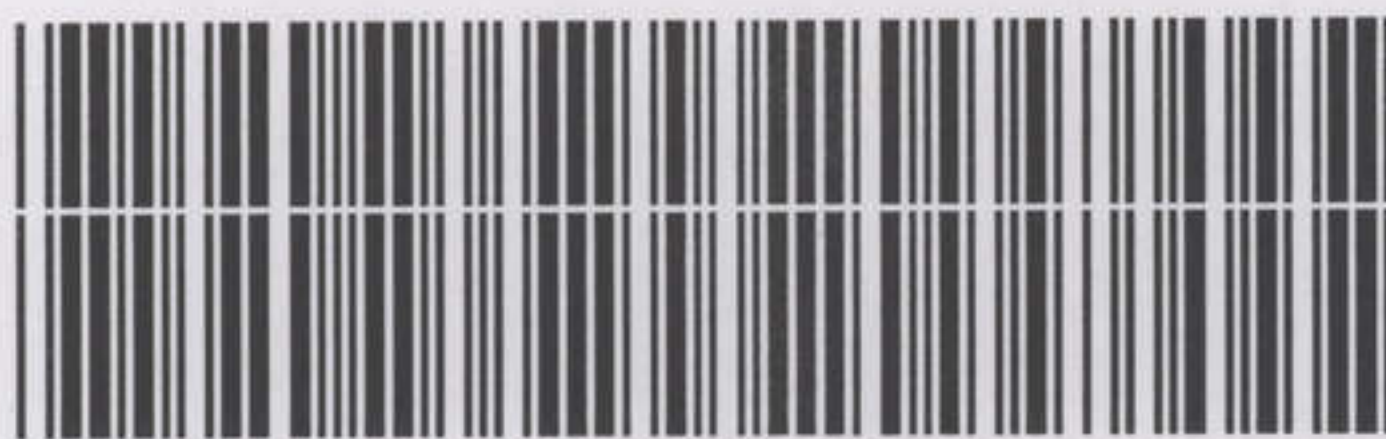


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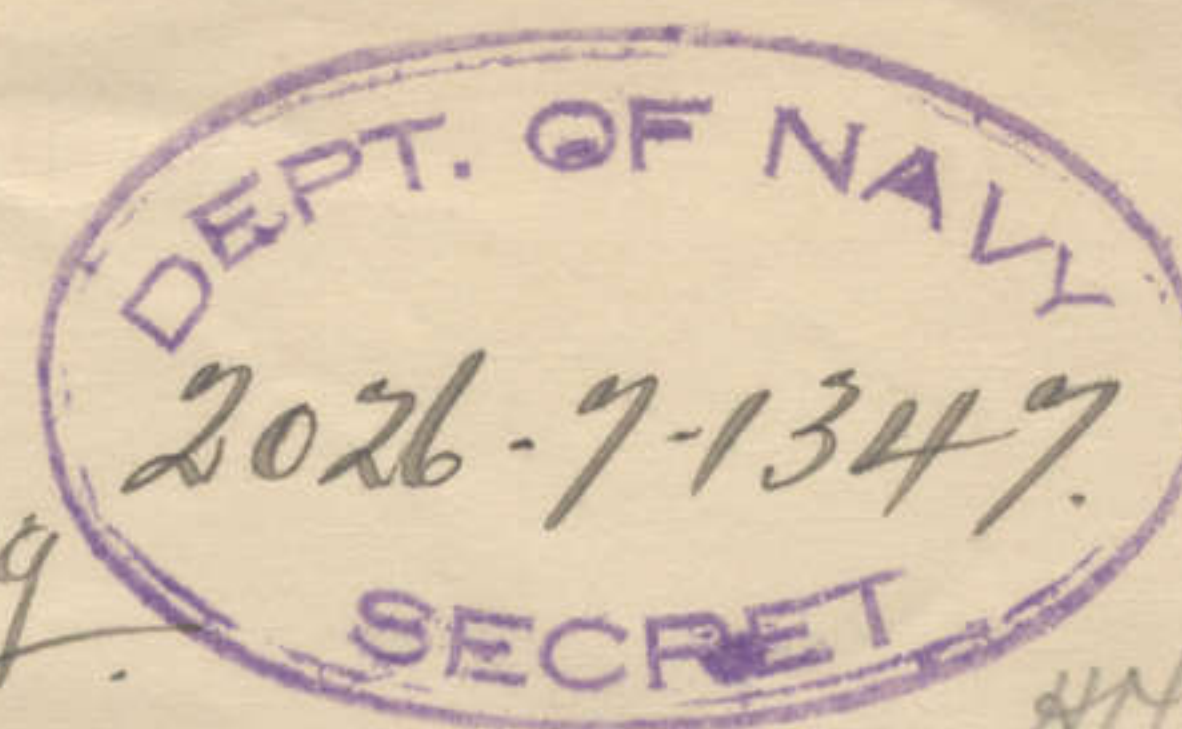
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From Commanding Officer HMAS "Bangalow"
Date 2nd October, 45 Reference No. B/RP 12
To The Secretary, Naval Board through Naval Officer in Charge, New Guinea.
Subject Copies to The Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff
Officer in Charge, Hydrographic Bureau.
Naval Officer in Charge, New Guinea.

Report of Proceedings.

Submitted.

19th Oct.	0530	Weighed
Sept.	0825	Dorasi Shoal buoy rigged and laid in charted position.
		Buoy chipped, painted and in excellent condition.
	0830	Proceeded
	1200	Anchored Milne Bay.
20th		Loaded 1 light buoy and sinker for return to Brisbane.
21st	0800	Shifted and picked up light buoy and mooring inside Netuli Island for return to Brisbane.
		Attempted unsuccessfully to tow light buoy from shore off Ladava.
	1400	Proceeded to Ahima for water.
	1600	Secured alongside No 3 wharf Ahima. Taking Fresh water
22nd	0330	Cast off and proceeded to Port Moresby.
23rd	1115	Secured Main Wharf, Port Moresby.
24th	0945	Commenced coaling.
	2300	Completed coaling.
25th	0820	Shifted ship to Workshop wharf.
		Repairs commenced to auxiliaries, Motor boat etc.
26th		As on 25th. Awaiting arrival of HMAS "Sprightly".
27th		As on 25th. Inspection made of all lead lights.
28th		As on 25th
29th		As on 25th. Inspection made of Basilisk Reef beacon.
30th		As on 25th
1st October.		As on 25th
2nd		As on 25th.

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Whilst at Milne Bay two of the damaged light buoys were loaded for return to Brisbane.

The third buoy was aground inside Nelson Wharf, Ladava. After the launch had attempted to unsuccessfully tow this buoy alongside the ship, the ship was backed in and a 5" Manilla made fast to the buoy. With engines going full speed it was found impossible to shift the buoy. Diving proved that no moorings were attached and it is surmised that the balance weight of the buoy is foul of sunken barges in the vicinity.

The Port Director, Milne Bay was requested by me to attempt to float the buoy when tides proved most suitable.

The buoy is in a bad state and I consider it would be more practicable to leave the buoy where it now is. Cost of repairs will be heavy.

On arrival at Port Moresby and being informed that the sailing of HMAS "Sprightly" was delayed, opportunity was taken to draw the fires and overhaul feed and circulating pumps, diesel and other auxiliaries.

All lead lights have been inspected and found to be functioning satisfactory. Rate of discharge of primary cells appears normal.

Basilisk Reef Beacon was also inspected and found in good order.

The two light buoys loaded at Milne Bay have been discharged and will be loaded again on return to Port Moresby.

All lights and buoys in the New Guinea area have now been serviced and left in good order.

COMMANDING OFFICER

J. E. Ludall

H.M.A.S. BANGALOW

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