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REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - M.S.L.707 - JANUARY 1946

Report of Proceedings of H.M.A. "M.S.L.707"  
for the month of January, 1946, is submitted for the in-  
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NEW GUINEA.

7th March, 1946

The Secretary,  
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REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - 21.1.46 - JANUARY 1946

Report of Proceedings of N.O.I.C. N.G. for the month of January, 1946, is submitted for the information of the Naval Board.

Naval Officer-in-Charge  
N.O.I.C. N.G.

(W.A. 207)

FROM: Commanding Officer, H.M.A. "M.S.L. 707".  
DATE: 1 February, 1946.  
TO: The Secretary, Naval Board, through N.O.I.C. NEW GUINEA.  
SUBJECT: REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY, 1946.

Submitted in accordance with CNO 97/43 and CCNO 19/45.

2. From 1 to 3 January loading cargo at Madang. Sailed p.m. 3 Jan for Dreger Harbour, arriving p.m. 4.
3. From 5 to 9 at Dreger unloading cargo. Sail p.m. 9 for Madang arriving p.m. 10.
4. From 10 to 12 at Madang loading cargo. Sail a.m. 12 for Dreger Harbour arriving a.m. 13. Sail p.m. 13 for Lae, arriving a.m. 14 to collect stores. Sail a.m. 15 for Dreger arriving p.m. same day. Sail p.m. same day for Madang arriving p.m. 16.
5. From 17 to 19 at Madang loading stores. Sail p.m. 19 for Dreger arriving p.m. 20.
6. From 20 to 23 unloading. Sail p.m. 23 for Madang arriving p.m. 24.
7. From 24 to 26 load stores. Sail p.m. 26 for Dreger arriving p.m. 27. From 27 to 30 unloading. Sail p.m. 30 for Madang arriving a.m. 31.
8. Health of ships company suffering from lack of fresh vegetables and foodstuffs. Morale remains very satisfactory.

9. EFFICIENCY REPORT.

Galley stove	-	Blower still to be fitted.
Main Engines	-	Good, but needs top overhaul. Trouble with bilge pump.
Auxiliary Engines	-	Good, but slight trouble with water pump
Hull	-	Good, but superstructure still leaks ver badly.

10. MONTHLY FIGURES.

Distance steamed during month	1477 miles
Hours under way during month	195.5 hours
Average speed for month	7.6 knots
Engine hours for month	208 hours
Gallons fuel expended during month by main engine	1383 galls
Gallons fuel expended by main engine per hour	6.7 galls
Total engine hours since commissioning	941 hours
Total distance steamed since commissg.	6550 miles
Total hours underway since commissg.	887.5 hours
Date commissioned	4 June, 1945.

*A. H. Blair*  
*Lieutenant RANVR*  
Commanding Officer,  
H.M.A. "M.S.L. 707".

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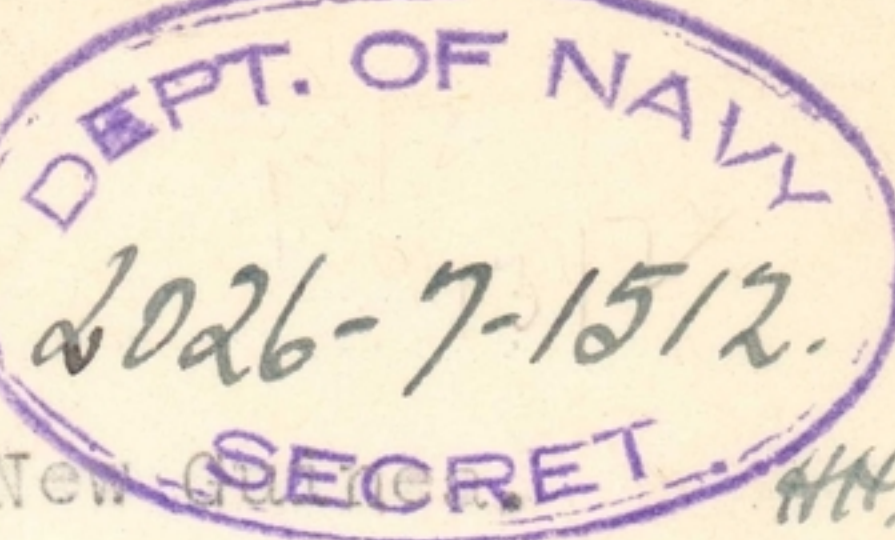
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TO: The Secretary, Naval Board through N.O.I.C. New Guinea



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Submitted in accordance with NO97/43 and ONO19/45.

2. 1st at Dreger Harbour. Sail p.m. 1st for Langemak arriving p.m. same day. Sail p.m. 2nd for Madang arriving a.m. 3rd. From 3rd to 7th at Madang loading stores. Sail p.m. 7th for Dreger Harbour, arrive p.m. 8th. From 9th to 12th at Dreger Harbour unloading stores. Sail p.m. 12th for Madang arriving p.m. 13th.

3. P.M. 14th proceed out of harbour and dump condemned foodstuffs. From 14th to 19th at Madang loading stores. Sail p.m. 19th for Dreger Harbour arriving p.m. 20th, unload stores. Sail p.m. 20th for Lae. Arrive a.m. 21st, load timber. Sail p.m. 22nd for Dreger Harbour arriving p.m. same day. Sail a.m. 23rd for Madang arriving a.m. 24th. From 24th to 31st at Madang unloading and loading.

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4. Health and morale of Ship's Company remains very satisfactory.

5. EFFICIENCY REPORT.

Galley Stove - Trouble still not remedied.

Main engines - Very satisfactory.

Auxiliary Engines - Very satisfactory.

6. MONTHLY FIGURES.

Distance steamed during month	1015 miles.
Hours underway during month	145 hours.
Average speed for month	7 knots.
Gallons of fuel expended by main engines ) during month	873 galls.
Gallons of fuel expended by main engines ) per hour	5.8 galls.
Engine hours for month	151 hours
Total engine hours since commissioning	733 hours
Total distance steamed since commissioning	5073 miles.
Total hours underway since commissioning	692 hours.
Date commissioned	4 June, 1945.

*A. H. Blair*  
*Lieut. RANVR*  
Commanding Officer,  
H.M.A. "M.S.L.707".

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HMA 'GR 4955'

REPORTS OF PROCEEDINGS.

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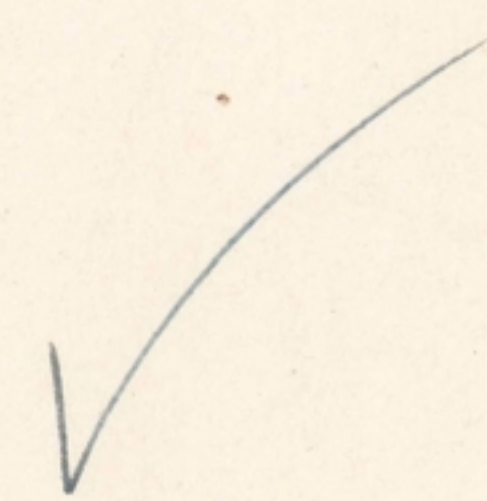
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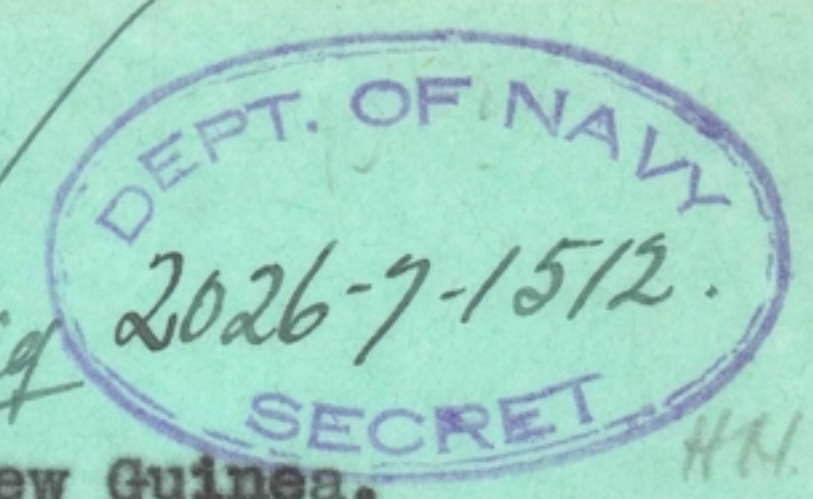
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 Date : 1st. December, 1945.  
 To : Secretary, Naval Board, through N.O.I.C. New Guinea.  
 Subject: REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - NOVEMBER 1945.

Submitted in accordance with C.N.O. 97/43 and C.C.N.O.19/45.

2. From 1st. to 6th. at Madang.
3. Proceeded to Alexishaven P.M. 6th. for overhaul of auxiliary engines and necessary minor repairs.
4. Return to Madang P.M. 23rd..
5. Sailed P.M. 28th. for Dreger Harbour with Naval Stores. Arrived A.M. 29th..
6. Health and morale of Ship's Company remains very satisfactory, but dissatisfied with not receiving hard lying money for living under inferior conditions.

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7. Efficiency Report:

- x Galley Store<sup>v</sup> - Little better.
- Main Engines - Very satisfactory.
- Auxiliary Engines - Very satisfactory.
- x Hull - Good but superstructure still leaks badly.

8. Monthly Figures:

Distance steamed during month	: 230 miles.
Hours under way during month	: 30 hours.
Average speed for month	: 7.7 knots.
Gallons of fuel expended by main engines during month.	: 268 gallons.
Gallons of fuel expended by main engines per hour	: 6 gallons.
Engine hours for month	: 44 hours.
Total engine hours since commissioning	: 582 hours.
Total distance steamed since commissioning	: 4058 miles.
Total hours under way since commissioning	: 547 hours.
Date Commissioned	: 4th. June 1945.

*J. H. Blair*  
 Lieutenant RANVR  
 Commanding Officer  
 H.M.A.M.S.L. 707.

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