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From: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. PHILIPPINE SEA (CV-47)
To: Commander Task Force 77

Subj: Close Air Support for the period 23 November through 7 December

Ref: (a) CTF 77 Confidential dispatch 190123Z of November 1950

Encl: (1) Data on close air support for subject period

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted herewith as directed by reference (a).

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DATE	TAKE OFF TIME	NO. & TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	FLIGHT LEADER	CONTROLLER	RESULTS — AREA	COMMENTS
30 Nov	0840	7 F4U's VF-114 1 MK12 Napalm 6 100# GP 5 AD-4 2MK12 Napalm 8 220# FRAGS	LCDR COOPER	Mosquito - Mellow (TACP)	Bombed troop concentration crossing river at 4201 YE. Only one run was made as time was short when assigned target	Communications good. Controller very cooperative
30 Nov	1200	7 F4U-4B VF-113 1 MK-12 Napalm 6 100# FRAGS 8 AD-4 2MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS	CDR O'NEILL	Dymano Control Mosquito Dymano	Troop concentration on hills. 8 miles .S.E. KUNURI. Controller could not use AD's and told them to go on road search	Could not contact devastate A. B came up on guard. Controller held flight until last minute, as F80's got priority on targets.

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1 Dec Close Support 0745		6 F4U-4B 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100#GP	LCDR MC CUDDIN	Devastate A	Burned town of KUJANG	Aircraft were wanted in CHOSHIN Reservoir area but could not get into the area due to solid overcast. Couldn't contact Devastate B
		6AD-4 2 MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS		Poison One	Bombed ridge with troops dug in. Positive fix could not be given as weather hampered visibility.	
1053 Close Support	1053	5 F4U-4B 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP VF-114	LTJG GORSLINE	Cobalt Mosquito	Assigned SINANJU as target. Hit ammo dump, very large explosion	
		4 AD-4 VA-115 2MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS				

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2 Dec Close Support	0840	8 F4U-4B VF-113 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP	CDR O'NEILL	Micheal Control Mosquito Strategy II Pineapple	Troops in village of YOPA attacked with Napalm. Village completely burned. UN troops re-took village.	Very successful flight
		2 AD-4 VA-115 1 MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS			Troops on ridge bombed and strafed 39-17N - 126-04E. Bombed village housing troops 39-16N - 126-04E	
2 Dec Close Support	1200	4 F4U-4B VF-114 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP	LT DALZELL	Devastate B	Directed to attack town at 41-62V only a few buildings sighted, destroyed same	Did not contact TACP. Much chatter on air. Flight leader considered hop a waste of time. Communications very poor.
2 Dec Close Support	1340	8F4U-4B VF-113 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP	LCDR LAKE	Devastate B Driftwood 14	37MM gun on ridge at south end of CHOSHIN reservoir. Group of buildings. Bombed ridge with troops dug in CV 4084	Results were good considering weather and traffic around field. All controllers were asking for planes.

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3 Dec	0716	10 F4U-4B VF-114 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP 5 AD-4 VA-115 2 MK12 Napalm	LTJG LORANGER	Devastate B	Troop concentration on hill CV 5375 Group of 12 buildings on road south of airstrip at CHOSHIN Reservoir	Devastate B assigned area There was no TACP AD pilots had a very successful strike, many troops believed killed. F4U's were hampered by weather but still got a lot of good hits on buildings
	1020	F4U-4B VF-113 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP AD-4 VA-115 2 MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS	CDR O'NEILL	Devastate B Driftwood	Troop concentration at CV3780. Troop concentrations in fox-holes CV4078 - CV4379	Many troops killed. Lot of chatter on radio but got target. All controllers used same frequency. Pilots would like to see assignment of frequency.
	1341	9F4U-4B VF-113 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP 5 AD-4	CDR DEACON & LTJG LISSY	Good Humor Earmark	Troop concentrations at 40-22N 127-05E. Troops dug in at 40-28N - 127-05E.	Good communications. Many troops knocked out. TAC was very pleased with results.

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4 Dec 0840 Close Support	0840	10-F4U-VF-113 1 MK12 Napalm 4-100# GP	LCDR O'NEILL	Earmark 14 & Lovelace	Troops on ridge 40-22N - 125-08E near CHOSHIN Resvoir Ridge 4054 CV. Troop concentrations	Good communications not so much chatter. Controller can use all available aircraft. Many troops killed, controller commended pilots on good flight.
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4 Dec 1200 Close Support	1200	7F4U-VF-114 1 500# GP 4 100# GP	CDR DEACON	Devastate B assigned. Our flight leaders acted as TACP	CV 4371 troops concentrations many troops in area attacked. 5 buildings housing troops destroyed	
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" " "	" " "	4 AD-VA-115 2 500# GP 8 260# FRAGS	LTJG LORANGER	Good humor II Cyanide Control	CV 4568 and CV 4368 troop concentrations around field south of CHOSHIN Revervoir	Controller stated 150 troops killed. Pilots report field surrounded by Red troops. Targets marked with white phospherous.
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5 Dec	0840	9 F4U-VF-114 1 500# GP 4 100 # GP	LCDR SMITH	Onward play boy I & II	Troops hiding in building. 4 such buildings destroyed. CV4060. Strafed and bombed troops in trenches on ridge CV 4868	TACP lead flight directly to the area. Good communications. Pilots considered direction of TACP to be poor.
		6 AD-4-VA-115 2 500# GP 8 260# FRAGS	LTJG KRAUSE			
5 Dec	1200	10 F4U-VF-113 3 260# FRAGS 6 100# GP	LT MC GINTY	Kneehigh Controller TAC-Lovelace II	25 houses housing troops destroyed. 1 to 6 miles west of KOT-O-RI. 4656 to 5660 CV	Good communications. Controller gave targets to demolish all houses in valley
" " "	" " "	5 AD-4-VA-115	LTJG GORSLINE	" " " " "	12 houses 1 to 3 miles west of KOT-O-RI.	

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7 Dec 0430 Close Support	0430	2AD-4N 4 100# GP 4 260# FRAGS 1 ADB 4 MK8 Flares	LT LOGAN	Devastate B	Bombed troop concentration 40-22N - 127-15E	All attacks controlled. Controller can be contacted on Channel 5 - 7 Planes only made contact by message relayed by Marine F4U.
0840 Close Support	0840	12 F4U-VF-113 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP	CDR O'NEILL	TACP - Good Humor II L-5 Devastate B	Attacked troop concentrations at 40-21N - 127-20E - Machine gun emplacements 40-16N - 127-22E	TACP used smoke bombs to mark positions.
		6 AD-4-VA-115	LTJG SHELDON	Playboy - Fly-Train I (F4U-5N)	F4U attacked various targets in area 40-24N - 127-20E. Trucks troops, buildings	F4U's were assigned an area by Devastate B.
1200 Close Support	1200	11 F4U-VF-114	LT CASEY	No Controller	F4U's split up in four groups	Area assigned Devastate X
			LT HRNSTED	Nuckeball-14	CV5775 dropped on houses - 31 houses destroyed.	" " " " " " " " "
			LT KONZEN	No Controller	EA 3044 many troops reported. No attack. CV3086 attacked troops in road	" " " " " " " " " "
		6 AD-VA-115 2 MK12 Napalm 12 100# GP	LTJG KRAUSE	Dedicate 14	Attack troops in tents. Troops on ridge in area CV 5772 in foxholes. 50 or 60 troops killed	Controller in jeep in convoy.