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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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Enclosure (1) to CO, USS PHILIPPINE SEA (CV-47) Comf ltr ser 0135 dtd Dec 12 1950

| 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 8 226# FRAGS | ICDR COOPER | Mosquito - Mellorw (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 | Dynamo Control Mosquito Dy- mano | Troop concentration on hills, 8 miles S.E. KUMURI. 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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| DATE: TAKE OFF: TIME | MC. & TYPE OF AIRCRAFT | FLIGHT LEADER | CONTROLLER | RESULTS - AREA | COMMENTS |
|----------------------|--|----------------|-------------|--|--|
| 1 Dec | 6 F4U-4B | ICDR MC CUDDIN | Devastate A | Burned town of KULANG | Aircraft were wanted in CHOSHIN Reservoir area but could not get into the area due to solid overcast. Couldn't contact Devastate B |
| Close Support: 0745 | 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100#GP | | | | |
| | 6AD-4 | | Pelton One | Bombed ridge with troops dug in. Positive fix could not be given as weather hampered visibility. | |
| | 2 MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS | | | | |
| 1053 | 5 F4U-4B | LTJG | Cebalt | Assigned SIMANJU as target. | |
| Close Support: | 1 MK12 Napalm 4 100# GP 4 AD-4 4 VA-115 2MK12 Napalm 8 260# FRAGS | GORSLINE | Mosquito | Hit ammo dump, very large explosion | |

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| DATE: TAKE OFF: | NO. & TYPE | FLIGHT | CONTROLLER | RESULTS — AREA | COMMENTS |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| TIME | OF AIRCRAFT | LEADER | | | |
| 2 Dec : 0840 | : 8 F4U-4B | : CDR C'NELL | : Michael | : Troops in village of YOPA at- | : Very successful flight |
| Close : | : VF-113 | : | : Control | : tacked with Napalm. Village | : |
| Support: | : 1 MK12 Napalm: | : | : Mesquito Strat: completely burned. UN troops | : regy II Fine- | : |
| : | : 4 100# GP | : | : apple | : re-took village. | : |
| : | : | : | : | : | : |
| : | : 2 AD-4 | : | : | : Troops on ridge bombed and | : |
| : | : VA-115 | : | : | : strafed 39-17N - 124-04E. | : |
| : | : 1 MK12 Napalm: | : | : | : Bombed village housing troops | : |
| : | : 8 260# FR.GS | : | : | : 39-16N - 126-04E | : |
| 2 Dec : 1200 | : 4 F4U-4B | : LT DAIKEL | : Devastate B | : Directed to attack town at | : Did not contact TACP. |
| Close : | : VF-114 | : | : | : 41-62V only a few buildings | : Much chatter on air. |
| Support: | : 1 MK12 Napalm: | : | : | : sighted, destroyed same | : Flight leader considered |
| : | : 4 100# GP | : | : | : | : hop a waste of time. |
| : | : | : | : | : | : Communications very poor. |
| 2 Dec : 1340 | : 8 F4U-4B | : LCDR LAKE | : Devastate B | : 37MM gun on ridge at south end: | : Results were good consid- |
| Close : | : VF-113 | : | : Driftwood 14 | : of CHOSHIN reservoir. Group | : ering weather and traffic |
| Support: | : 1 MK12 Napalm: | : | : | : of buildings. | : around field. All con- |
| : | : 4 100# GP | : | : | : Bombed ridge with troops dug | : trollers were asking for |
| : | : | : | : | : in CV 4084 | : planes. |



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|-------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| 3 Dec | 0716 | 10 | F4U-4B | LTJG IORANGER | Devastate B | Troop concentration on hill | Devastate B assigned area | |
| | | VF-114 | | | | CV 5375 | There was no TACP | |
| | | 1 | MK12 Napalm | | | Group of 12 buildings on road | AD pilots had a very | |
| | | 4 | 100# GP | | | south of airstrip at CHOSHIN | successful strike, many | |
| | | | | | | Reservoir | troops believed killed. | |
| | | 5 | D-4 | | | | F4U's were hampered by | |
| | | VA-115 | | | | | weather but still got a | |
| | | 2 | MK12 Napalm | | | | lot of good hits on | |
| | | | | | | | buildings | |
| | 1020 | F4U-4B | | CDR O'NEILL | Devastate B | Troop concentration at CV3780. | Many troops killed. Lot | |
| | | VF-113 | | | Driftwood | Troop concentrations in fox- | of chatter on radio but | |
| | | 1 | MK12 Napalm | | | holes CV4378 - CV4379 | got target, | |
| | | 4 | 100# GP | | | | AD controllers used same | |
| | | D-4 | | | | | frequency. Pilots would | |
| | | VA-115 | | | | | like to see assignment of | |
| | | 2 | MK12 Napalm | | | | frequency. | |
| | | 8 | 260# FRAGS | | | | | |
| | 1341 | F4U-4B | | CDR DEMCON | Good Hummer | Troop concentrations at 40-22N | Good communications. | |
| | | VF-113 | | & Earmark | | 127-05E. | Many troops knocked out. | |
| | | 1 | MK12 Napalm | LTJG LISSY | | Troops dug in at 40-28N - 127- | TAC was very pleased with | |
| | | 4 | 100# GP | | | 05E. | results. | |
| | | 5 | D-4 | | | | | |

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| DATE/TAKE OFF | TIME | OFF | NC & TYPE | FLIGHT LEADER | CONTROLLER | RESULTS | AREA | COMMENTS |
|---------------|------|---------------|--------------|---|------------|--|------|---|
| 4 Dec | 0840 | 10-F4U-VF-113 | LCDR O'NEILL | Barmark 14 | | Troops on ridge 40-22N - 125- | | Good communications not so much chatter. Controller can use all available aircraft. Many troops killed, controller commended pilots on good flight. |
| 0840 | | 1 MK12 Napalm | | | | OBE near CHOSHIN Reservoir | | |
| Close | | 4-100# GP | | | | Lovelace | | Ridge 4054 CV. Troop concentrations |
| Support | | | | | | | | |
| 4 Dec | 1200 | 7F4U-VF-114 | CDR DEACON | Devastate B | | CV 4371 troops concentrations assigned. Our many troops in area attacked. flight leaders: 5 buildings housing troops acted as T.O.P. destroyed | | |
| 1200 | | 1 500# GP | | | | | | |
| Close | | 4 100# GP | | | | | | |
| Support | | | | | | | | |
| " " | " " | 2 F4U-VF-114 | " " | " " | " " | " " | " " | " " |
| " " | " " | 1 Napalm | " " | " " | " " | " " | " " | " " |
| " " | " " | 4 100# GP | " " | " " | " " | " " | " " | " " |
| " " | " " | 4 AD-VA-115 | LTJG IOR- | Good humor II: CV 4568 and CV 4368 troop concentrations around field south of CHOSHIN Reservoir | | | | Controller stated 150 troops killed. Pilots report field surrounded by Red troops. Targets marked with white phos- |
| " " | " " | 2 500# GP | MGFR | | | | | |
| " " | " " | 8 260# FR.GS | | | | | | |
| " " | " " | 1 AD-4-VA-115 | | | | | | |
| " " | " " | 2 MK Napalm | | | | | | |
| " " | " " | 8 260# FR.GS | | | | | | |

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|-------|------|----------|-------------|---------------|------------------|--|------|---|
| 5 Dec | 0840 | 9 | F4U-VF-114 | LCDR SMITH | Oxnard | Troops hiding in building, 4 | | TACP lead flight directly to the area. Good communications. Pilots considered direction of TACP to be poor. |
| | | 1 | 500# GP | | play boy I & II | such buildings destroyed, CVA060. Strafed and bombed troops in trenches on ridge | | |
| | | 4 | 100 # GP | | II | | | |
| | | 6 | AD-4-VA-115 | LTJG KRAUSE | | | | |
| | | 2 | 500# GP | | | | | |
| | | 8 | 260# FR.GS | | | | | |
| 5 Dec | 1200 | 10 | F4U-VF-113 | LT MC GINTY | Kneehigh Cont+25 | houses housing troops destroyed, 1 to 6 miles west of Lovelace II | | Good communications. Controller gave targets to demolish all houses in valley |
| | | 3 | 260# FR.GS | | | | | |
| | | 6 | 100# GP | | | | | |
| | | 5 | AD-4-VA-115 | LTJG GONSLINE | | 12 houses 1 to 3 miles west of KOT-C-FL | | |

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| DATE: | TASK OFF: | NO. & TYPE | FLIGHT | CONTROLLER | RESULTS | REMARKS | COMMENTS |
|----------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---|--|
| : | : | OF | LEADER | : | --- | : | : |
| : | TITLE | IRGR | FT | : | : | : | : |
| 7 Dec | 0430 | 2 | J-D-4N | LT LOGAN | Devastate B | Bombed troop concentration | : All attacks controlled. : Controller can be con- : tacted on Channel 5 - 7 : Planes only made contact : by message relayed by : Marine F4U. |
| 0430 | : | 4 | 100# GP | : | : | 40-22N - 127-15E | : |
| Close | : | 4 | 260# FR.GS | : | : | : | : |
| Support: | : | 1 | JDB | : | : | : | : |
| : | : | 4 | MK8 Flares | : | : | : | : |
| 0840 | 0840 | 12 | F4U-VF-113 | CDR | TACP - Good | Attacked troop concentrations | : TACP used smoke bombs to : mark positions. |
| Close | : | 1 | MK12 Napalm | O'NEILL | Humor II L-5 | at 40-21N - 127-20E - Machine | : |
| Support: | : | 4 | 100# GP | : | Devastate B | gun emplacements 40-16N - 127- : 22E | : |
| : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : |
| : | : | 6 | J-D-4-VF-115 | LTJG | Playboy | F4U attacked various targets | : F4U's were assigned |
| : | : | : | : | SHELDON | Train I (F4U) | in area 40-24N - 127-20E. Trucks | : in an area by Devastate : B. |
| : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : |
| : | : | 11 | F4U-VF-114 | LT GASEY | No Controller | F4U's split up in four groups | : Area assigned Devastate : X |
| 1200 | 1200 | : | : | : | : | : | : |
| Close | : | : | : | LT HFNSTED | Nuckeball-14 | CV5775 dropped on houses - 31 | : " " " " " " |
| Support: | : | : | : | : | : | houses destroyed. | : " " " " " " |
| : | : | : | : | LT KONZEN | No Controller | EA 3044 many troops reported. | : " " " " " " |
| : | : | : | : | : | : | No attack, CV3086 attacked | : " " " " " " |
| : | : | : | : | : | : | troops in road | : " " " " " " |
| : | : | 6 | J-D-VF-115 | LTJG KRAMUSE | Dedicate 14 | attack troops in tents. Troops | : Controller in jeep in |
| : | : | 2 | MK12 Napalm | : | : | on ridge in area CV 5772 in | : convey. |
| : | : | 12 | 100# GP | : | : | foxholes. 50 or 60 troops | : |
| : | : | : | : | : | : | killed | : |