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OFFICE LOG FOR 28 OCTOBER 1962

- 0800 CNO arrived and proceeded at once to flag plot.
- 0810 SECDEF and SECNAV to flag plot.
- 0815 Special Counsel called for the correct phraseology if POL is added to the prohibited list.
- 0835 CNO and VCNO returned from flag plot and went into the office with VADM Smedberg.
- 0839 VADM Smedberg went to SECNAV's office. (NOTE: He was angry because the dependents of civil service dependents evacuated from Guantanamo were receiving maximum per diem whereas Navy and Marine dependents weren't getting a thing. He ordered his office to gather all the fiscal and statistical information on the matter and then, made the following pointed comments: "I'm going to get that money for them if I have to personally introduce a bill for private relief to Congress." "I'm going to see every Congressman I know on the Hill.")
- 0840 CAPT Kidd called RADM Mott and said CNO wanted a copy of a proclamation issued prior to World War II to clear a certain area of submarines. (NOTE: It later developed that this concerned the neutrality patrol zones in the Atlantic and Caribbean. The admiral was particularly interested in the exact size of the zones and the wording of official statements concerning their establishment. The Historical Operations Center sent over LANTFLT Op. Plan 7-41 and LANT Operating Squadron Op. Order 24-39.)
- 0855 CNO departed for JCS conference.
- 0920 News bulletin from Russian domestic service saying that Khrushchev had ordered the missiles dismantled and returned to Russia.
- 0930 Intelligence officer reported that during the night, the Grozny reached the line and stopped. There was another surfacing of C-18. The Belovodsk was proceeding on course with a deck load of crated helicopters.
- 0935 Received news bulletin from the Russian domestic news service reporting that Khrushchev had sent a letter to President Kennedy saying that the missile sites would be dismantled.
- 0950 CAPT Kidd dictated a message from JCS to CINCLANT, info. CINCLANTFLT and CTF 136, that JCS concurred in CINCLANTFLT's 280420Z, recommending a repositioning of the line.
- 0955 Word was received that CINCLANTFLT had ordered that the Pella no longer be trailed.

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- 1025 Mr. Hitchcock arrived. He and CAPT Kidd discussed the fact that there was some garbled word that the Groznyy may have turned around and that now she was dead in the water. (NOTE: She stopped at 0430) They also talked about the limpid mine incident and thought it was probably nothing to get excited about. Mr. Hitchcock said that a reliable source had said the word was out to Latin American Communists to attack U.S. petroleum sources and that orders were out to tighten up.
- 1110 CNO returned.
- 1130 A memo from ADM Ricketts to ADM Anderson filed that said VADM Beakley called to report the Belovodsk had been sighted.
- 1147 CNO ordered a message sent out in the clear from JCS to not board any vessels unless ordered and to challenge only.
- 1205 CNO departed for quarters.
- 1220 Cuban domestic news service report received reporting that among five demands for permitting inspection of missile sites was the giving up of Guantanamo.
- 1232 CAPT Kidd called someone and said that ADM Ricketts wanted an expeditious answer to a report that one of our planes had buzzed the Belovodsk on the 24th and shot at her.
- 1238 ADM Ricketts to lunch.
- 1330 The office set a relaxed condition of readiness. There were no significant developments during the rest of the day or night.

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