

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

S/N-0105-404-1560

USS Joseph Strauss (DD-16) ZONE DESCRIPTION -8H DATE Thursday 18 May 19 67  
(Day) (Date) (Month)  
AT/PASSAGE FROM Northern boundary South Vietnam TO Gulf of Tonkin

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L	BY	
λ	BY	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L <u>17°05.6'N</u>	BY <u>2</u>	
λ <u>107°11.3'E</u>	BY <u>2</u>	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L <u>17°03.0'N</u>	BY <u>2</u>	
λ <u>107°19.8'E</u>	BY <u>2</u>	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL  
2-ELECTRONIC  
3-VISUAL  
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 Steaming in company with Task Unit 77.6.1, conducting Naval Gunfire support in conjunction with TG 76.4 in operation Beau Charger. 309A is CONRADUS FLOT mine embarked in USS BOSTON (CA-62), OTC is CTG 76.4 embarked in USS Okinawa (LPH-3). Condition of readiness three and material condition Zebra (modified) set throughout the ship. Steering course 145°, speed 12 kts in a column formation with USS Fechteler (DD-870) 2000 yards astern. 0052 1/2 to 315°, 1/2 to 10 kts. 0145 1/2 to 260°. 0346 1/2 to 000°.

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04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0346 SIGHTED NUMEROUS FLARES AND HEAVY FIRING ON THE BEACH BEARING 220° TO 230°, MANEUVERING ON COURSES 000° AND 180° SPEED 10 KTS TO REMAIN IN THE VICINITY OF THE DMZ AND THE AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT GROUP. 0534 1/2 305°, PROCEEDING TO GUNFIRE SUPPORT AREA II FOR FIRE SUPPORT OF AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT. 0540 WENT TO GENERAL QUARTERS. 0545 ALL STATIONS MANNED AND READY, MATERIAL CONDITION ZEBRA SET THROUGHOUT THE SHIP. 0547 1/2 353°, ON STATION FOR FIRE SUPPORT. 0548 1/2 5 KTS. 0600 COMMENCED FIRING TO PORT. 0604 CEASED FIRING. MANEUVERING TO CONDUCT GUN FIRE SUPPORT OF AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT. 0621 OBSERVED SUNRISE, TURNED OFF BLUE STERN LIGHT. 0630 COMMENCED FIRING TO STBD. 0638 CEASED FIRING. 0649 COMMENCED FIRING TO PORT. 0653 USS ALLEN M. SUMNER (DD-692) RECEIVING COUNTER BATTERY FIRE, 1/2 20 KTS, 1/2 050°. 0658 CEASED FIRING. 0710 1/2 20 KTS, 1/2 030°. USS FECHTELER (DD-870) RECEIVING COUNTER BATTERY FIRE. 0713 COMMENCED FIRING TO PORT. 0715 CEASED FIRING. 0725 COMMENCED FIRING TO PORT. 0739 CEASED FIRING. 0746 COMMENCED FIRING TO STBD. 0753 CEASED FIRING. 0803 MTS 51 AND 52 OUT OF COMMISSION BECAUSE OF MALFUNCTION. REPAIRS IN PROGRESS. PATROLING IN THE VICINITY OF GUNFIRE SUPPORT AREA II AWAITING GUN REPAIRS. 0906 SET MATERIAL CONDITION ZEBRA (MODIFIED) THROUGH OUT THE SHIP. 0909 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS.

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08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0911 1/2 5 KTS, 1/2 340°. PATROLING IN THE VICINITY OF GUNFIRE SUPPORT AREA II AWAITING GUN REPAIRS. 1000 RECEIVED DAILY MUSTER REPORT. UNAUTHORIZED ABSENTEES: NONE. 1157 1/2 090°, 1/2 25 KTS. PROCEEDING TO RENDEZVOUS WITH USS RANIER (AE-5)

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12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1208 1/2 085°. 1223 1/2 086° 1330° 1/2 23 KTS. 1405 1/2 25 KTS. 1518 1/2 075°. 1521 STATIONED UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT DETAIL FOR REARMING.

EXAMINED

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