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2 FLEET ULTRASECRET STANDING ORDER 2

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I. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

A. This doctrine is based on Combined Fleet Doctrine and sets the standard for diversion attack force battle operations.

B. Combined Fleet Doctrine will be applied in addition to this doctrine.

(In this doctrine DecDiv Ten will be regarded as a destroyer squadron.)

II. CRUISING UNDER ALERT (KEIKAI KUDO)

1. Entering and Leaving Port Under Alert

It is important on entering and leaving port under alert to maintain a strict alert against enemy airplanes, submarines and mines and to execute movements secretly and swiftly.

1. On entering or leaving port under alert, the co-operation of the local defense force (KOBU) will be enlisted to carry out sweeps for enemy submarines outside the defense (KOBU) area. Airplane screening units (KEIKAITAI) and local defense craft will be used for this over a suitable period before the operation. At the time of the operation sweeping will be concentrated on the course to be followed.

2. On entering or leaving port under alert, the practice will be to avoid mines and to proceed at the greatest possible speed (above 20 knots). Depending on the situation, antitorpedo cruising will be carried out and depth charges dropped.

3. On leaving port under alert, precautions will be taken regarding the following:

- a. The time at which the leading unit makes a sortie or CruDiv Four leaves port
- b. Order of leaving port
- c. Course of sortie

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d. Order of cruising under alert (KEIKAI KUDO):
In the absence of special orders, Order of Cruising Under Alert - 21 (21)

e. Engine readiness (KIKAN TAIKI): In the absence of special orders, Alternate Method of Engine Readiness, Condition 2

4. On leaving port under alert, each unit (ship) will depart at the proper time and, in the absence of other orders, will take up a station at the harbor entrance (outside the swept channel) in the prescribed order of cruising under alert.

5. On entering port under alert, the screening unit, in the absence of special orders, will cover the entrance of the fleet when the fleet reaches the harbor mouth (entrance at the swept channel) and will then break order and enter port. The remaining units (ships) will break order and enter port according to instructions.

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2. Order of Cruising Under Alert (KEIKAI KUDO)

1. The orders of cruising under alert (KEIKAI KUDO) are shown in Separate Sketch 1.

2. The standard order of cruising under alert (KEIKAI KUDO) is shown in Separate Sketch 2. In cases where the order of cruising under alert (KEIKAI KUDO) is specially ordered, the station of each unit (ship) will be indicated by the numbers on the same sketch.

3. The standard direct escort disposition is shown in Separate Sketch 3. The stations will be indicated by direct escort station numbers.

4. The number of direct escort destroyers attached to each division will be determined in each case by special order. The destroyer squadron commanders will communicate the names of their ships to the division commanders and each division commander will assign stations. The destroyer squadron flagship ordinarily will be the direct escort.

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5. Matters to be dealt with by orders prescribing the order of cruising under alert (KEIKAI KOKO) are as follows:

a. Type of order of cruising under alert (ANIKAI KOKO)

b. Guide unit: In the absence of special orders,

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c. Axis of formation (JIKU KOKO) (The Presumably a line perpendicular to the line of formation; shown in sketch). In the absence of special orders, it will be stipulated whenever the actual or designated course differs from the axis of formation (JIKU KOKO).
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d. Stations: Only when necessary

e. Course and speed: In the absence of special orders, actual course and speed of the guide unit.

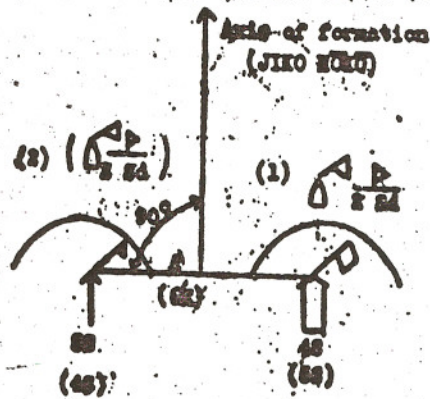
6. The interchanging from left to right in the orders of cruising under alert (KEIKAI KOKO) called alternate method (shown in parenthesis) and will be indicated by a series of numeral flags (code).

Separate Sketch 1

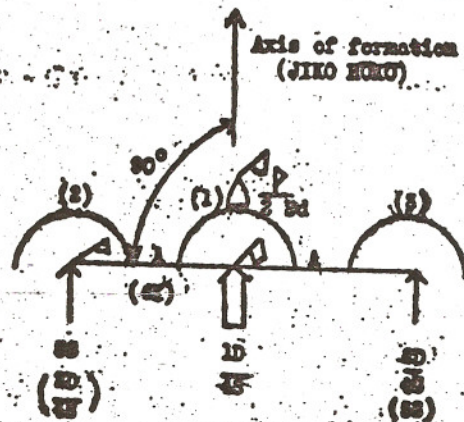
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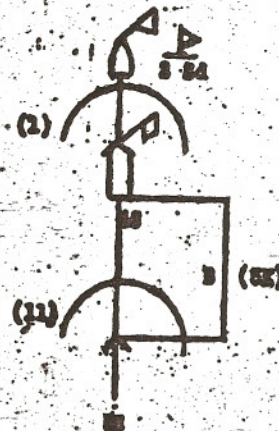
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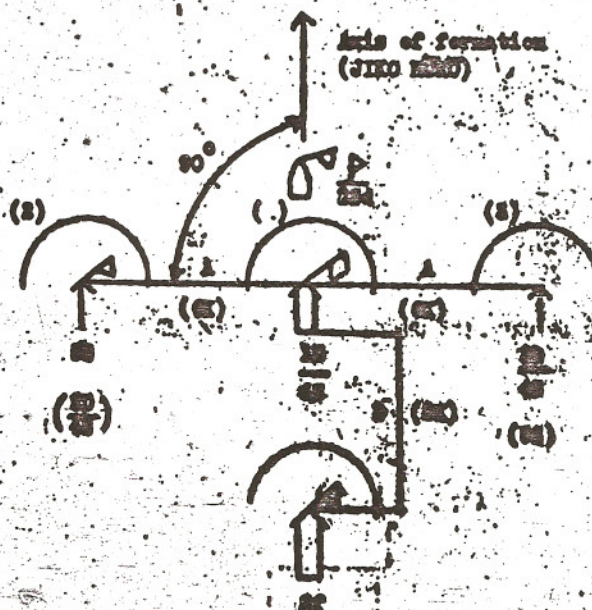
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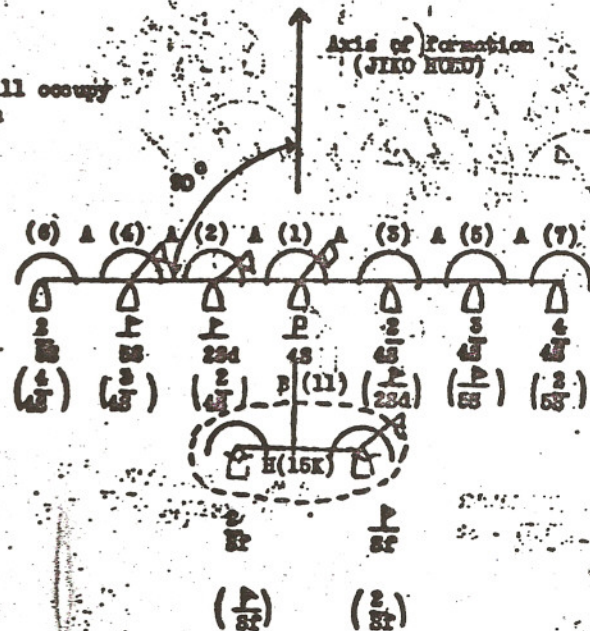
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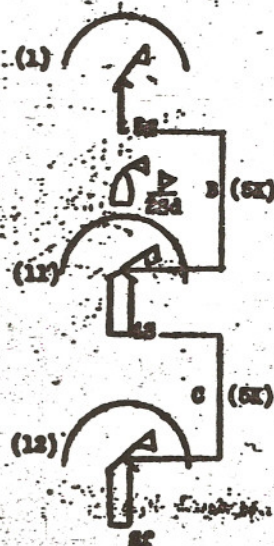
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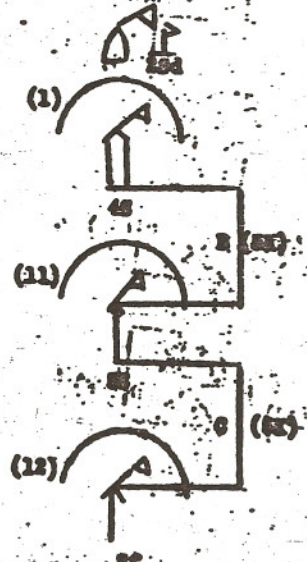
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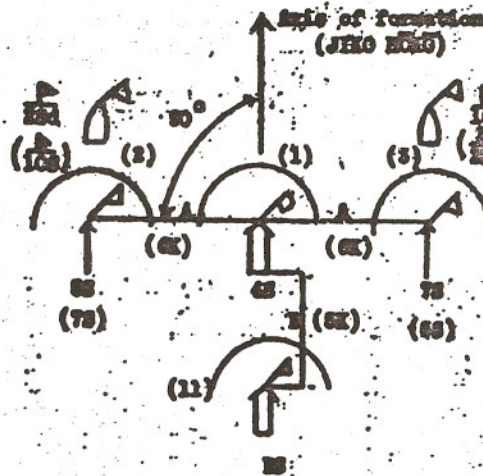
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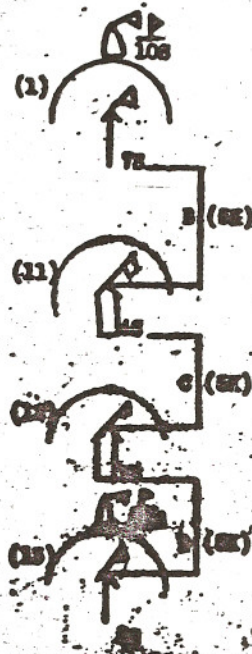
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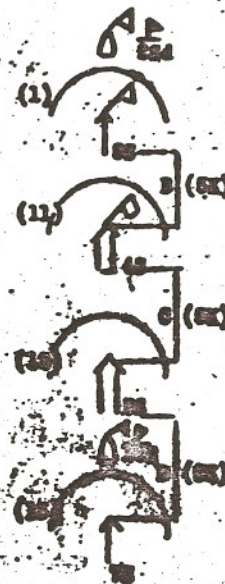
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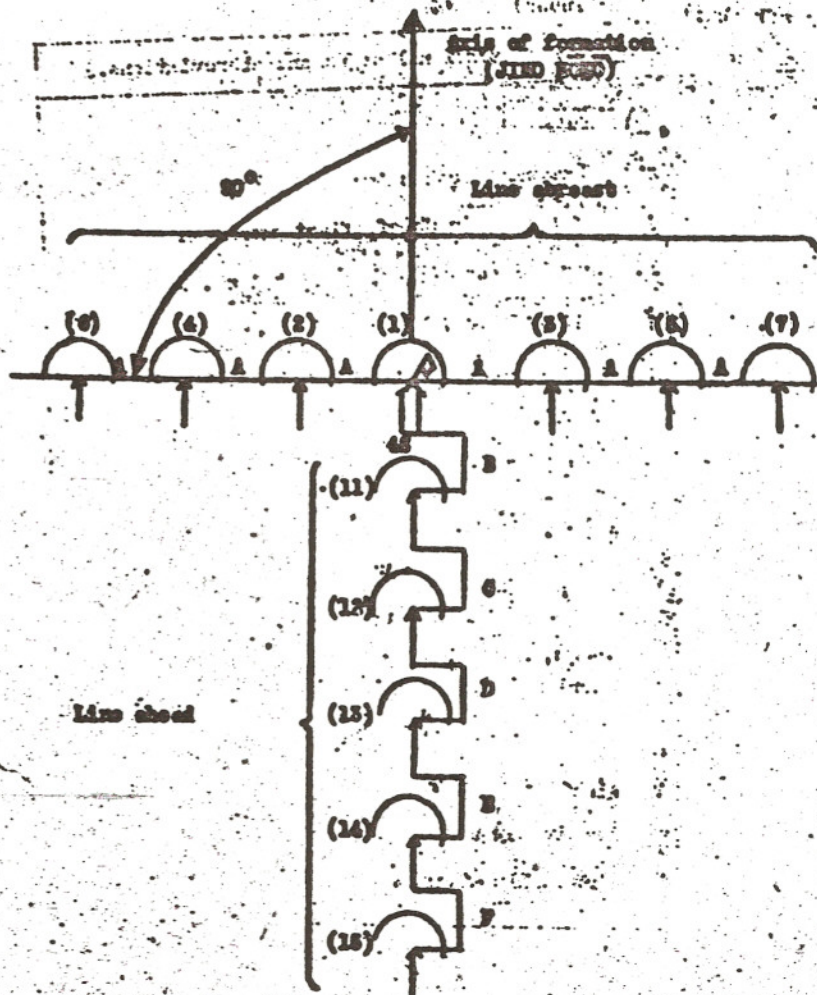


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(IN Translation of conventional signs and abbreviations.)

	Guide ship
	Commander Destroyer Two
	Commander in Chief, fleet commander
	Naval force including capital ships
	Squadron or division commander
	Naval force excluding capital ships
	CruDiv Five
	CruDiv Four
	K Kilometers
	Sec 1 of CruDiv Four
	Sec 2 of CruDiv Four
	Carrier division
	No 2 ship of CruDiv Five
	Aircraft carrier
	CruDiv Seven
	Battleship division



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Note: When the units in line ahead open to left and right the spacing is in the shape of an H.

Example:



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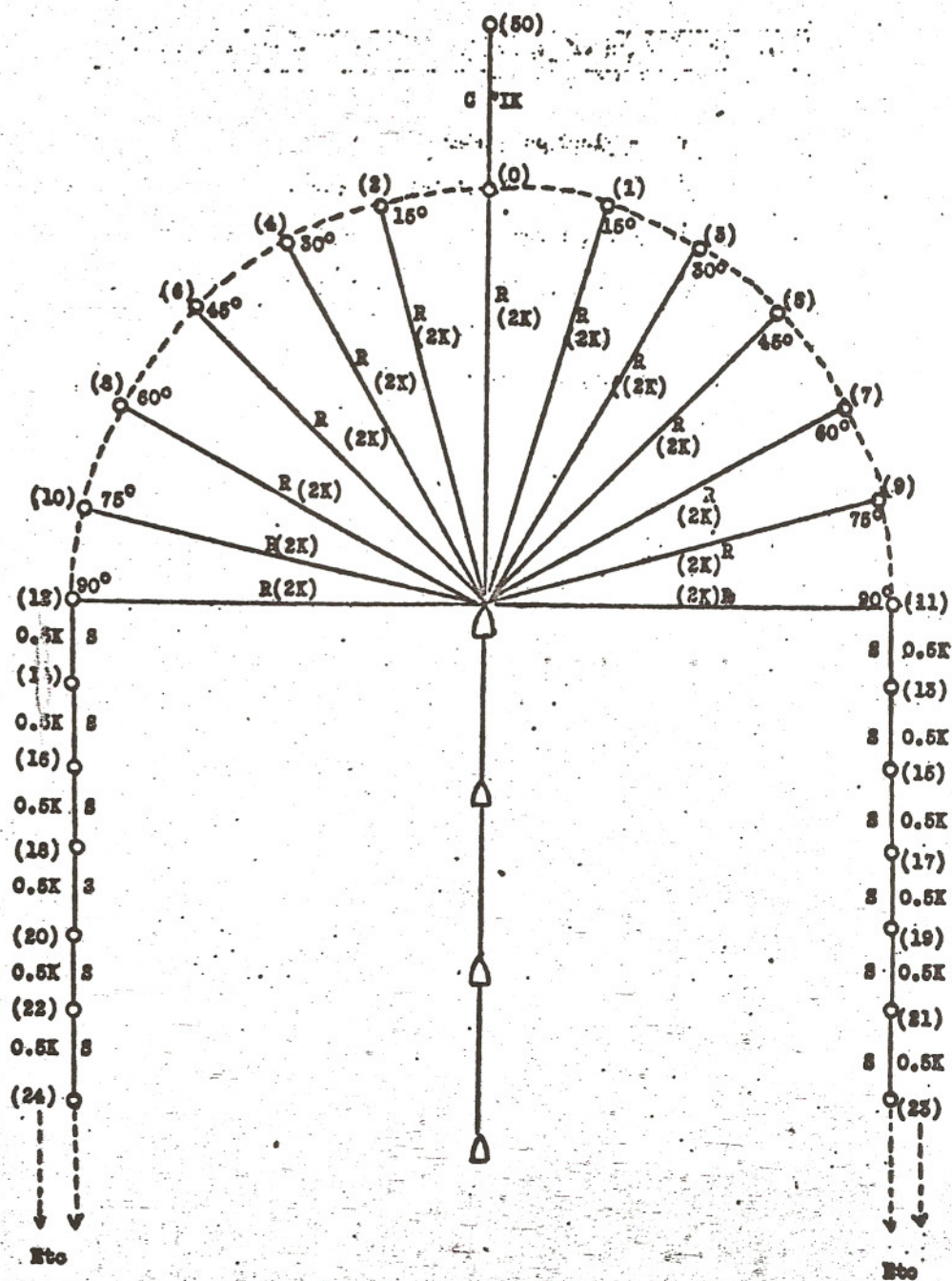
- Numbers appearing in parentheses indicate the station (group) number of each unit (only) in the order of cruising under alert.
- The spacing of the units in line ahead will be in the shape of an H.
- In the case of parallel motion, it will be in the shape of a V.

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(TN Translation of conventional signs and abbreviations.)

- P - Fleet commander
- P - Squadron or division commander
- ↑ - Naval force including capital ships
- ↑ - Naval force excluding capital ships
- ⊠ - Aircraft carrier

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