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From: Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet.
To: Pacific Fleet Holders USF 10A.
Subject: USF 10A - Pacific Fleet Supplement.
Enclosure: (A) Pages AP 4-38(a) to (b) and Ap 4-18(a) to (c).

1. The Pacific Fleet Supplement of USF 10A promulgated herewith, will become effective upon receipt.

2. The pages of this Supplement shall be handled in the same manner as directed for handling the basic publication in the promulgating letter and foreword thereof, and will remain effective until superseded by other instructions. It is to be noted that the instructions contained in PacSupp pages Ap 4-38(a) to (b) apply to Battleships, Carriers, Cruisers, Oilers, Destroyers, and Destroyer Escorts; those contained in pages Ap 4-18(a) to (c) apply to vessels with 6" fueling connections.

3. The material of the supplement augments or modifies the contents of USF 10A as applicable to the Pacific Fleet.

4. Additional material will be promulgated whenever necessary by either dispatch or printed change. A record of corrections to the PacSupp will be maintained on the additional "Record of Corrections" page.

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Note: Corrections to pages of Pacific Fleet Supplement only are to be recorded hereon.

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6136. Surface plotting.

- (a) Surface plotting methods shall be in accordance with current fleet instructions.
- (b) In general, the following basic considerations shall govern:
 - (1) A continuous presentation of the ships in company must be kept on the summary plot board, utilizing both radar and visual observations.
This polar coordinate summary plot of ships in own disposition shows the direction of the relative movement line of each ship as determined by successive plots. Thus the course and speed of any ship on the plot can be readily determined by a maneuvering board solution worked out directly on the summary plot.
 - (2) When any unidentified or enemy surface force is detected, in addition to plotting its movement on the summary plot, it will be plotted on the DRT (if provided) to determine target course and speed and to establish identity by location.
- (c) Operators must pay particular attention to points on range scale at which the several types of surface vessels (including submarines in the "awash" condition) are likely to be detected. When a "stranger" is detected, plotters must keep a continuous plot of its movements, but must not neglect observation of remainder of assigned sector to prevent undetected approaches.
- (d) The DRT with special top is valuable for surface plotting, however, care must be taken to have an auxiliary plot showing the location of units within the formation.

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6151. (b) Areas of responsibility bounded by various range scales may also be assigned in addition to or in lieu of sectors, as circumstances indicate.

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6184. To facilitate plotting, inter-ship radar reports should include the following information as appropriate:

- (a) Raid number or letter—An air raid shall be identified by a number preceded by the words "bogey raid"—A surface raid shall be identified by a letter preceded by the words "skunk raid". Use of "bogey" shall be limited to air contacts.
- (b) Number of targets: one, few (2 to 10), many (over 10).

6185. In making initial and amplifying reports, the following examples are considered suitable guides to proper procedure. Each item reported should be preceded by its appropriate designation except where no confusion will result. Experience and practice in groups operating together may result in the elimination of certain words. All bearings are true and from reporting ship unless otherwise specified.

Examples:

Initial report by radar guard ship:

BOGEY RAID FOUR

"FEW, BEARING 210 DISTANCE 46".

Amplifying report:

BOGEY RAID FOUR

"FEW, BEARING 185, DISTANCE 30, COURSE 110, SPEED 140, HIGH, 1140, APPARENTLY CIRCLING FLEET."

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6300. Use Figure 1 PACSUPP on good visibility interception in lieu of Figure 13 USF 10(A).

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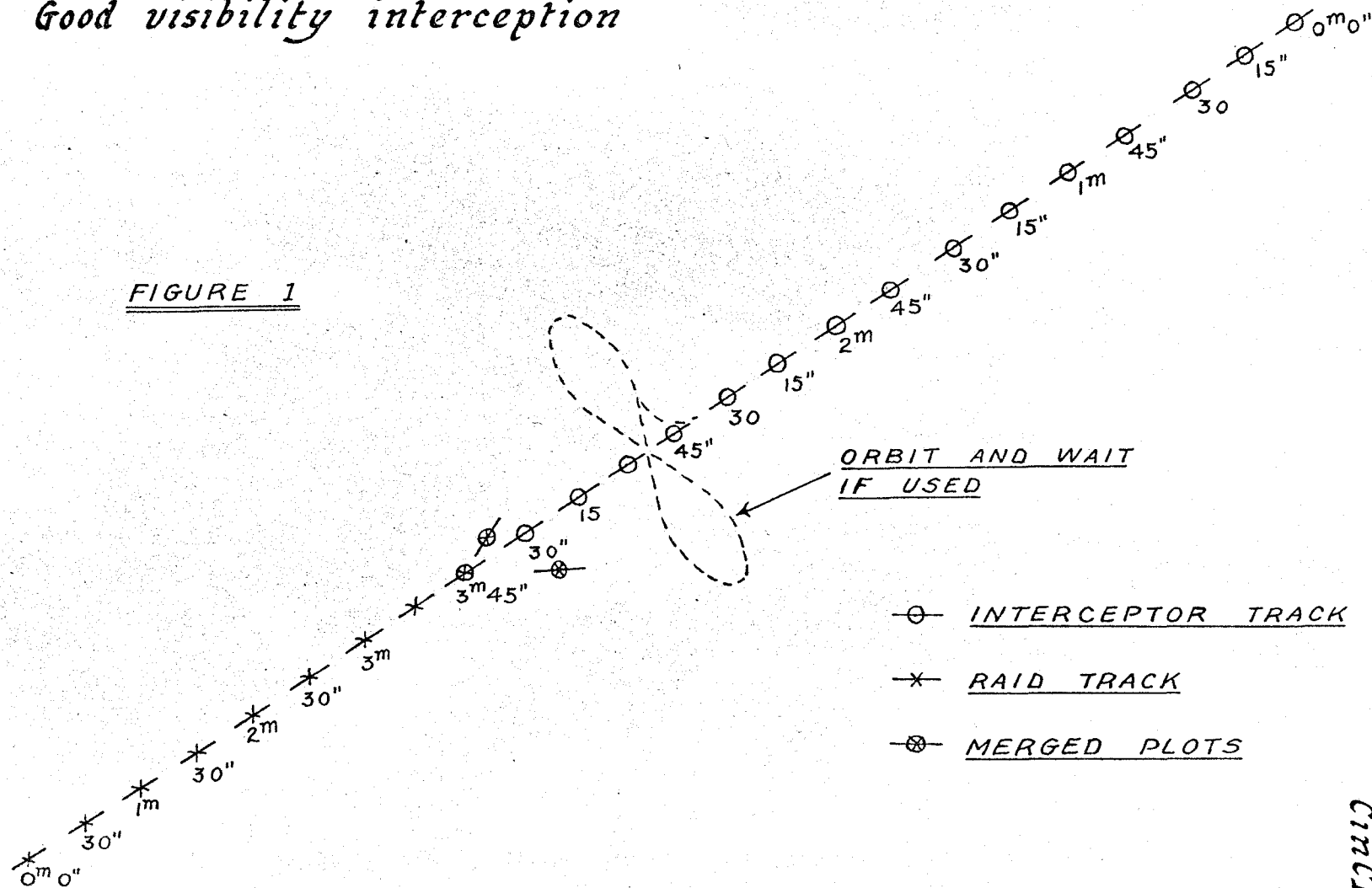
6332. (m) When in the vicinity of shore based fighter direction units, maintain close cooperation and exchange of information with shore based Fighter Directors. Care must be exercised not to disclose the position of the ship or formation to the enemy.

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Good visibility interception

FIGURE 1



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6382. (b) In good visibility the fighters should be brought in as nearly head on to the target as possible in order to be in an advantageous attack position.

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6530. Shipborne Equipment.

6531. The shipborne transpondors shall normally only be energized as directed by the OTC.

6532. The shipborne interrogator-responder equipment shall be used a minimum amount consistent with proper identification. While the interrogator-responder of all ships should be energized at all times when associated radar equipment is energized, the OTC shall designate an appropriate ship(s), normally the guardship, to make all challenges and identify unidentified targets.

6541. Normally the ship nearest the contact or anticipated contact should be designated by the OTC to turn on transponder.