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BLUE AIR FORCE,
U.S.S. SARATOGA, FLAGSHIP

AT SEA,
8 February, 1932: 1620

RAID PLAN
No. 2A

TASK ORGANIZATION

(a) SARATOGA GROUP

SARATOGA

Destroyer Division Twelve

Destroyer Division Six, less AARON WARD

(b) EAST ATTACK GROUP, Lieutenant Commander Bogan.

VF Wing, less VF Two

One Section VS Two

(c) PROTECTIVE FIGHTERS, Lieutenant Commander Clark.

VF Squadron Two

(d) LEXINGTON GROUP, Captain King.

LEXINGTON

AARON WARD

1. OBJECT: To reduce BLACK air strength and harass BLACK defenses.
INFORMATION: During early morning and evening of seven February considerable damage was inflicted on aircraft at LUKE, WHEELER, PUENA POINT, RODGERS AIRPORT, and field in WAIANAE pocket west of SCHOFIELD BARRACKS. Severe damage was received from anti-aircraft batteries in vicinity of WHEELER, LUKE and KAHUKU. Destroyers attacked HANAPEPE field and destroyed four bombers by gunfire. Enemy aircraft are operating in MAUI-MOLOKAI area. BLUE patrol planes are operating against BLACK bases from MOLOKAI to HAWAII. Enemy submarines are operating on radius sixty miles from PEARL HARBOR.
2. GENERAL PLAN: To sweep outlying fields at sunrise with high speed aircraft and attack enemy units as located on ground or in air.

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3. (a) SARATOGA GROUP launch aircraft when directed about zero five four zero in position bearing two five zero distant forty miles from BARBER'S POINT. Prior to launching BUCHANAN and CROWNINSHIELD will take stations bearing two five zero distant twenty and thirty miles respectively from BARBER'S POINT. After launching SARATOGA will maintain bearing from BARBER'S POINT distance depending on weather conditions.
- (b) EAST ATTACK GROUP proceed south of OAHU and sweep outlying fields on east, north, and west coasts of OAHU. Attack enemy aircraft with bombs and machine guns. Photograph west coast landing beaches. Bomb sixteen inch battery at FORT WEAVER with unexpended bombs prior to leaving OAHU.
- (c) PROTECTIVE FIGHTERS when launched establish protective patrol over SARATOGA against enemy aircraft and submarines.
- (d) LEXINGTON GROUP remain general vicinity latitude nineteen thirty longitude one fifty-eight, avoiding combat with enemy forces, until directed to rejoin SARATOGA at rendezvous to be designated later.
4. Simulated armament of all aircraft two one hundred and sixteen pound demolition bombs and full service machine gun ammunition allowance. All aircraft carry maximum fuel.

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5. Commander Advance Raiding Force in SARATOGA.
Frequency assignment: EAST ATTACK GROUP nine six
five kilocycles, PROTECTIVE FIGHTERS nine one
five kilocycles. Reduce radio transmission to
minimum except in emergency.

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