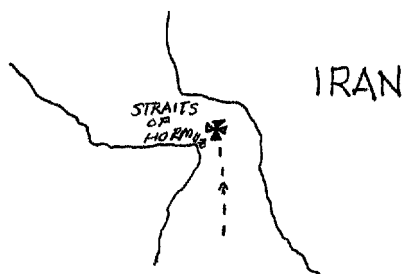


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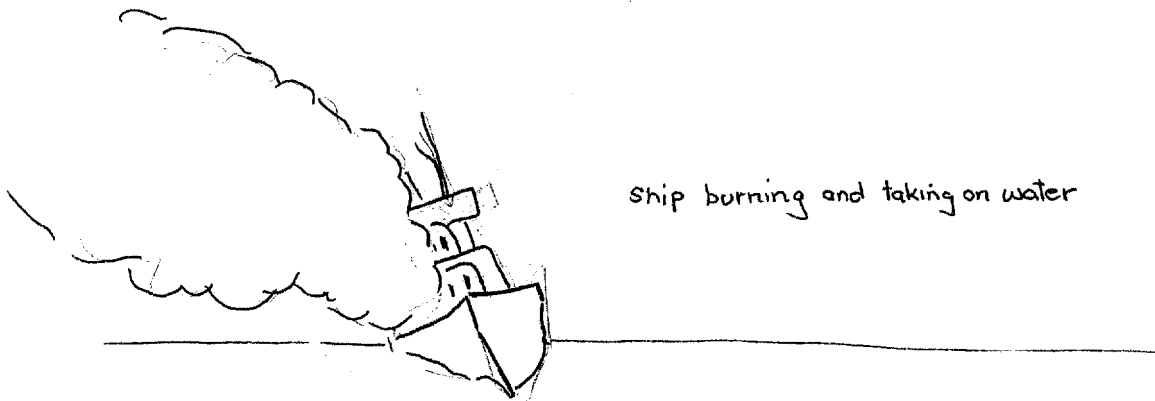
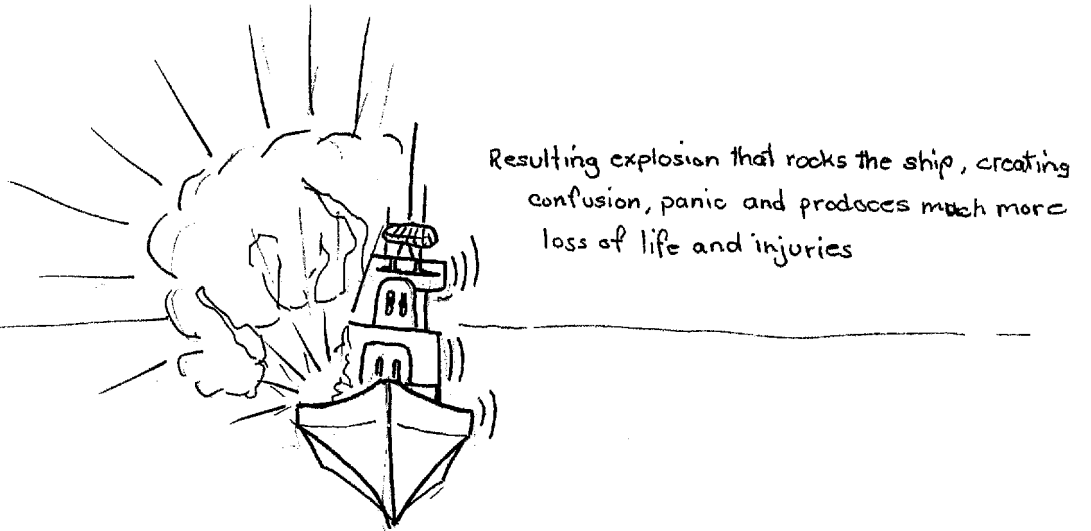
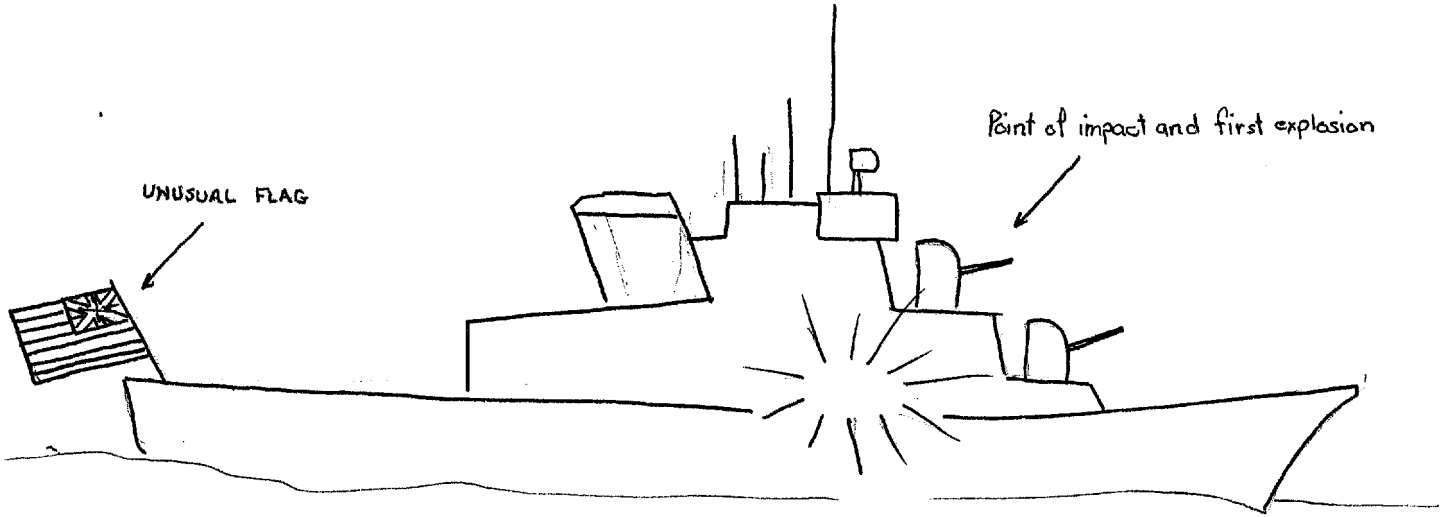
HAVE THE IMPRESSION OF A SLEEK-LOOKING WARSHIP, PERHAPS ~~A DESTROYER~~ OR CRUISER. IT IS GRAY IN COLOR AND IS HEAD NORTH THROUGH THE STRAITS OF HORMUZ.



THE SHIP IS HIT BY A HEAT-SEEKING TYPE OF PROJECTILE. THERE IS AN EXPLOSION APPROXIMATELY AT MIDSHIP, AT THE DECK OR SUPERSTRUCTURE LEVEL. THIS EXPLOSION TRIGGERS ANOTHER, LARGER EXPLOSION AND FIRE THAT ENGULFS MOST OF THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE SHIP. THERE IS LOSS OF LIFE AND A LOT OF SERIOUS INJURIES DUE TO THE RESULTING FIRE. THE SHIP SEEMS CRIPPLED AND LEANING FAR TO THE RIGHT. THE FLAG OF THIS SHIP IS UNUSUAL IN THAT IT HAS RED AND WHITE STRIPES, BUT APPEARS TO HAVE THE "UNION JACK" IN THE UPPER CORNER.

I DON'T SEE IMMEDIATE RETALIATION AS A RESULT OF THIS INCIDENT. I SEE, HOWEVER, SEVERAL NATIONS GETTING TOGETHER AND DECIDING WHAT TO DO NEXT.

HAVE THE FEELING THAT THIS IS THE SAME INCIDENT FROM A MUCH EARLIER SESSION.



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I FEEL THAT THIS INCIDENT WILL TAKE PLACE VERY SOON, UNLESS
SOME SORT OF ACTION IS TAKEN TO PREVENT IT. PERHAPS THIS WEEK-
END, LATE SUNDAY (13 SEP 87). THE ONLY THING THAT WILL PREVENT
THIS INCIDENT, IS NOT TO HAVE ANY SHIPS IN THE STRAITS DURING
THIS TIME.