

## memorandum

DATE: 11 September, 1987

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: DT-S

SUBJECT: SESSION SUMMARY, PROJECT 8712, "Free Flight Phase" (C-SS)  
SG1J

TO: DT-S (ATTN: [REDACTED])

SG1J

## 1. (S-SS) Statistics:

Project #: 8712-A  
Viewer: 018  
Session date: 11 SEP 87  
Filename: 8712.L04

2. (S-SS) At the start of this session, I tried to rid myself of the feeling that there will be no attacks on U.S. flagged ships in the Gulf of Hormuz or the Persian Gulf during the month of September, by declaring it as both A.V. and AOL.

3. (S-SS) Having done this, I located myself on the Persian Gulf, and looked for a U.S. flagged ship, having a problem. Perceptions were:

- a. There was <sup>a</sup> U.S. flagged ship having problems which was located near land, the coast being in a north/south direction at that point (see sketch, bottom, P.1)
- b. The ship, itself is facing in a north/south direction at the time of the problem.

4. (S-SS) As a double check on this information, I then retasked myself with "U.S. ship having trouble in the Persian Gulf", and got nothing.

5. (S-SS) It dawned on me that I had just given myself two different tasking cues, so I again cued myself with "U.S. flagged ship having trouble in the Persian Gulf". Perceptions received were:

- a. Ship facing in a north/south direction.
- b. Something wrong (NFI) High on one end.
- c. The end with "something wrong" is the northern end of the ship, facing away from land.
- d. Feeling that this is the same ship as perceived above.

6. (S-SS) It did not occur to me during the session to draw a timeline, and check for a specific date of occurrence.

*U.S. flagged vessel in trouble - No date*

*See 011 Sketch*

7. (S-SS) I then tried a pendulum exercise, to check the veracity of each element of EEI. Each item was tested repeatedly, with the following results:

EEI	Results	
	Yes's	No's
Is ship near land?	3	0
Is ship facing in a N/S direction?	3	0
Are there hostilities to a U.S. Ship?	1	2
Hostilities to a U.S. FLAGGED ship?	2	1
Is the location of "something wrong" correct?	3	0
Is the flagged ship w/"something wrong" the same as the one on Page 1?	3	0

8. (S-SS) I ended the session without retasking for the Gulf of Hormuz. I realize now, however, that the last session, in which I got that there will be no hostile activities, was cued strictly toward problems in the Gulf of Hormuz, and did not include the Persian Gulf.

9. (S-SS) Viewer's critique: I just don't have that glowing inner confidence about this one, so am not certain how much I would depend on its results.

11 SEP 87  
0821 HRS  
FT. MEADE  
FACE FLIGHT

NO PI  
A.V. = PRIOR, PRECONCEIVED FEELING THAT THERE WILL BE NO ATTACKS ON U.S. FLAGGED SHIPS IN THE PERSIAN GULF IN SEP. 87.

TASK: DESCRIBE THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE ATTACK(S) ON U.S. FLAGGED VESSELS IN THE GULF OF HORMUZ AND THE PERSIAN GULF DURING SEP. 1987

S2 D MI ST T I AOL A/S

AOL BRK:  
NONE WILL HAPPEN  
(GETTING THAT OUT OF MY SYSTEM SO I CAN GO AHEAD & WORK)

S2 D MI ST T I AOL A/S

PERSIAN GULF

U.S. FLAGGED SHIP

NORTH LAND

N/S DIRECTION

SKETCHES

WATER

SHIP

NORTH LAND

2

SZ D BT ST T I AR N/S.  
POSITION  
GULF

U.S. SHIP

TALL  
CURVED DOWN

BOAT

SMALL

BLACK  
REDDISH (TRIM?)

S 4 1/2 : IMPRESSION OF SMALL BOAT COMING WITH  
CARGO SHIP + JUST LOOKING. NO HOSTILITIES.

U.S. FLAGGED SHIP.

N/S DIRECTION

AR TRNK  
THINK THIS IS SAME  
SHIP AS ON PAGE 1.

S 4 1/2! SMTR WRONG WITH END... HIGH UP.

SKETCH

SHIP

SMTR  
WRONG  
11/8/87

018  
11 Sep 87

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INTOSUM SUMMARY: LOCATED A SHIP WHICH HAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH IT, ~~HEALTH~~ ON ONE END. SHIP IS LOCATED NEAR LAND, FACING IN A NORTH-SOUTH DIRECTION. DOESN'T SEEM TO BE MOVING OR POINT ANYTHING. THE PLACE WHERE "SOMETHING IS WRONG" WITH THE SHIP IS ON THE SIDE WHICH FACES AWAY FROM LAND, AND SEEMS TO BE ON THE NORTHERN END OF THE SHIP.

ANALYTICAL NOTE: WHEN I ASKED THE SIGNAL LINE FOR EET ABOUT AN AMERICAN SHIP, I GOT NOTHING. WHEN I ASKED ABOUT AN AMERICAN FLAGGED SHIP, I GOT THE ABOVE. DEDUCE FROM THIS THAT THE SHIP IN QUESTION IS ~~NOT~~ A KUWAITI TANKER UNDER AMERICAN FLAG  
\* NO HOSTILE INCIDENT, THAT IS,

PENDULUM EXERCISE:

ASKED FOR VERACITY OF	ANSWER
NORAN LAND	Y
FACING N/S DIRECTION	Y
NO HOSTILITY ON U.S. SHIP	Y + N (SEVERAL TREES)
HOSTILITY ON FLAGGED SHIP	N + Y (SEVERAL TRAILS)
LOCATION OF "SOMETHING WRONG" ON FLAGGED SHIP	Y
<del>IS</del> THIS FLAGGED SHIP W/ "SOMETHING WRONG" THE SAME SHIP AS ON PAGE 1?	Y