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Project: 9014
Date: 900411
Time: 0925-1320
Viewer: 018
Session: 01

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

SG1A

1. (S/STD) Is the callsign associated with a vessel or a land station?: A vessel.
2. (S/STD) If a vessel, give:
 - a. Description: Large. Sides are black from waterline up to a narrow cream-colored band at the top. The foredeck is also light or cream-colored, and is bowed upward (see sketch, Fig. 1). The back end of the ship is pronouncedly rounded (see sketch, Fig. 2). The superstructure is also light cream-colored.
 - b. Location: At time of search (1307 hrs, 11 APR 90), ship was located at approximately 20 deg. 40' N / 68 deg 15' W. and appeared to be heading in a northward direction (see map, Fig. 3).
 - c. Carrying contraband?: Impression was of contraband in the form of arms/weapons.
 - d. If so, where is contraband on board?: At time of search (1315 hrs, 11 APR 90), I detected what appeared to be a cache of weapons located on the right side of the ship, slightly forward, approximately level with the waterline (see diagrams, Figs 4 & 5).
 - e. Name of the vessel: Repeated attempts produced "Her...",

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"Hernandez", "Herman", "Herakel (stress on the a)". I have no confidence in these.

3. (S/STD) Identify any associated vessels or callsigns: This tasking not addressed in this session.

4. (S/STD) Provide any indications of pending smuggling activity:
Impressions of destination for the arms/weapons being on the eastern coast of the southeastern U.S. at a bay whose mouth is circled on the north and east by a semi-circle of small islands (see sketch, Fig. 6). General area not further specified in this session. There was a strong impression that the weapons would be dropped underwater for divers to pick up later.

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REPORT OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Requestor Task # JT4-0005-90 Source # 018
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ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION REQUESTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY:

SG1A

1. Is the call sign associated with a vessel or ground station?

RESPONSE: A VESSEL

2. If vessel, what is its (A) identity and (B) current status (C) location, (D) carrying contraband? (E) location on board, (F) description of vessel, (G) name, etc.)? (7 QUESTIONS)

RESPONSE: [DESCRIPTION]: LARGE, BLACK w/ CREAM-COLORED TOP, REAR END IS VERY ROUNDED, FOREDECK ROWS UPWARD. [LOCATION]: 20°40'N/68°15'W

[CONTRABAND?]: YES. ARMS/WEAPONS. [ON BOARD LOCATION]: RIGHT SIDE, SLIGHTLY FORWARD, AT WATERLINE. [NAME] "HER..." (NOTHING DEPENDABLE).

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3. If a ground station, what is its location?

RESPONSE: N/A.

4. For either case, identify (name, description, etc.) any associated vessels or callsigns.

RESPONSE: NOT ADDRESSED IN THIS SESSION

5. For either, provide any indications of pending smuggling activity. UNDERWATER DROP OF ARMS/WEAPONS FOR DIVERS

RESPONSE: TO PICK UP. LOCATION: EAST COAST OF ^{SOUTHEAST} ~~SE~~ US. AT A BAY WHICH HAS A RING OF SMALL ISLANDS. (NFI)

PROJECT OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

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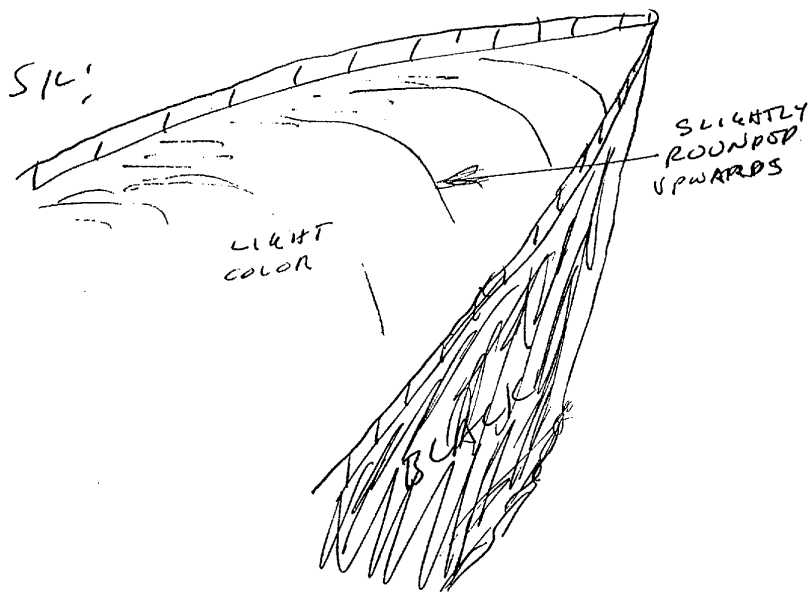


FIG. 1

REAR END IS VERY ROUNDED

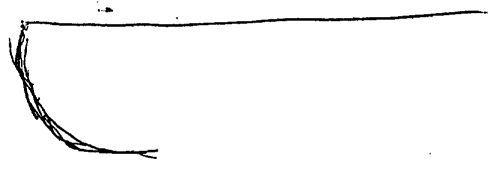


FIG. 2

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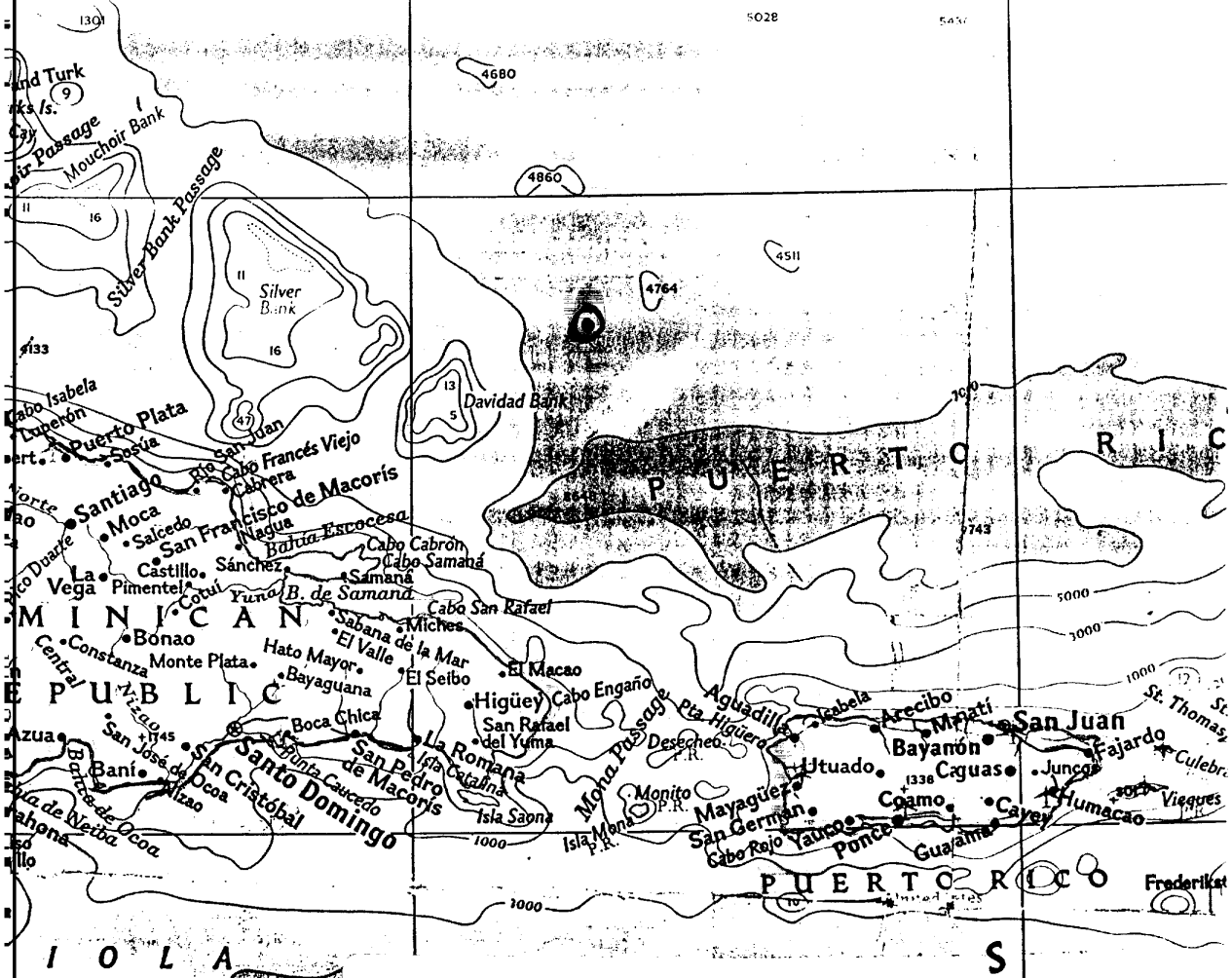


FIG. 3
 LOCATION OF SHIP
 (1307 HRS, 11 APR 90)

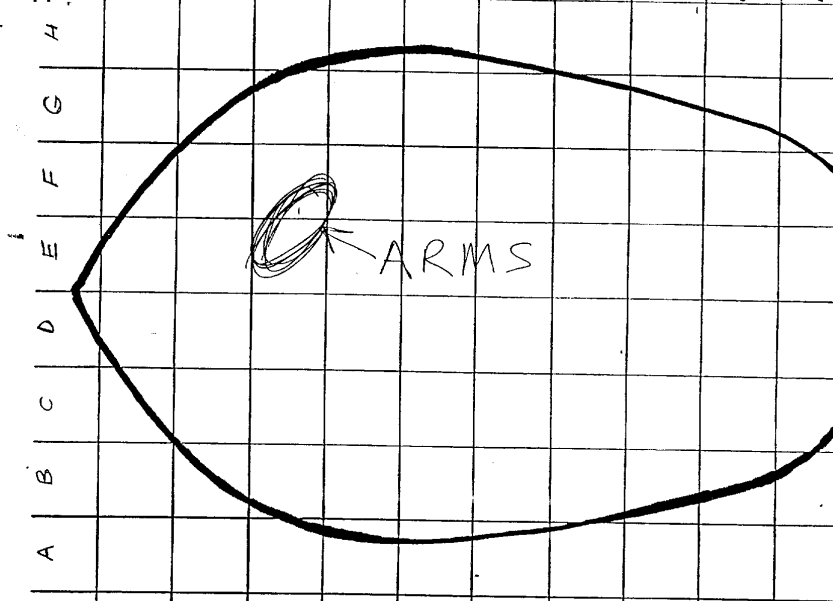


FIG. 4. TOP VIEW

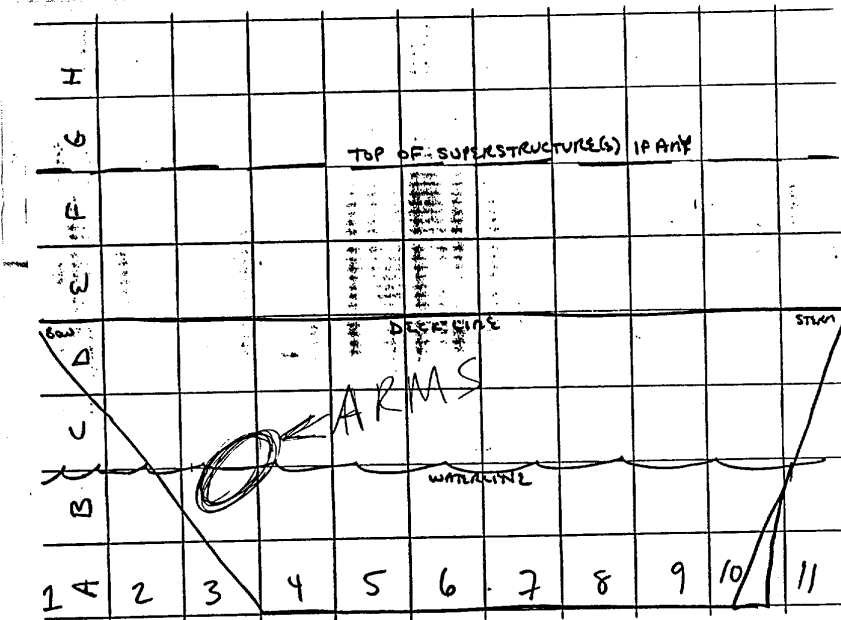


FIG. 5. SIDE VIEW

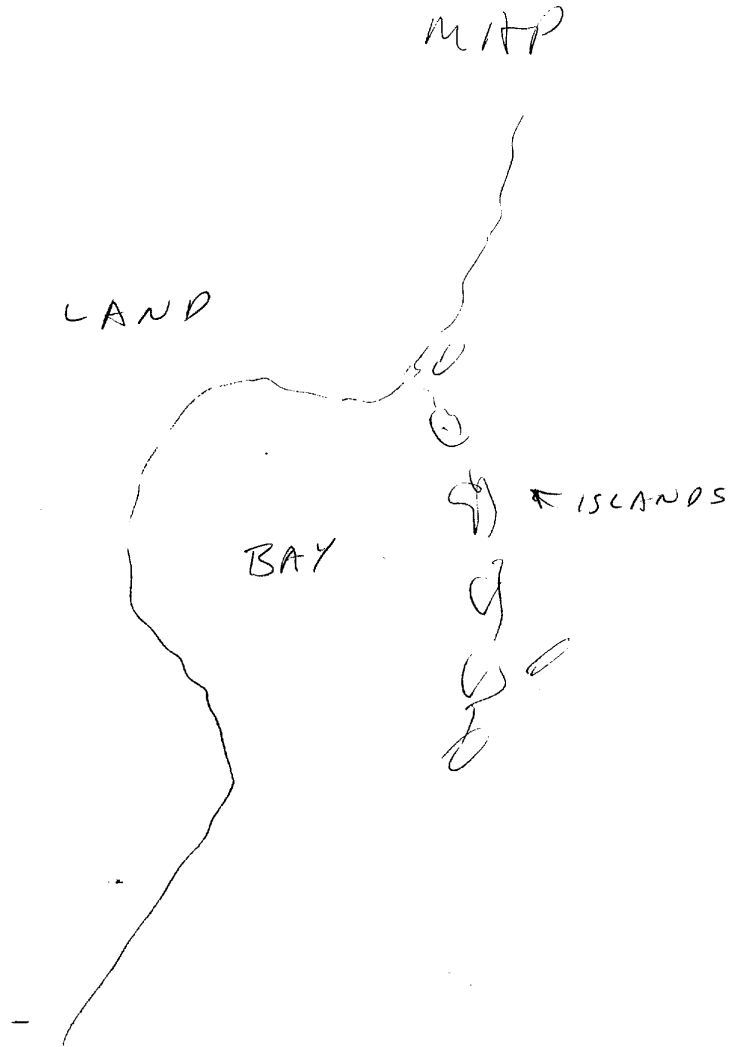


FIG. 6