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U/Boat Intelligence Summary (Continued).

(b) Outbound:

A U/Boat (U-369) now estimated in the central North Atlantic has been ordered to head for a point about 70 miles southeast of New York approaches. (1729/29). During November this U/Boat was used in Kurier tests (radio flash transmissions) in the Skaggerak.

(Note: This is the first U/Boat in the western Atlantic to be sent south of the Gulf of Maine since U-518 operated off Hatteras in September.)

3. CANADIAN FRONTIERS

One U/Boat (U-806 - Hornbostel) is estimated on patrol in the Halifax - Gulf of Maine area having been told 21 December that U-1230 "is presumably in the same op area as you are.". A fresh U/Boat (U-1232 Dobratz) which previously had been reporting weather, is currently estimated in the vicinity of Sable Island probably moving into the Halifax area. They have been told that from recent experiences (U-1221) "successes may be expected only directly off Halifax; act accordingly". The defense was described as "little weary patrolling without ascic. Off Halifax none, elsewhere little day and night air." (2031/22).

U-1231 (Lessing) is estimated south of Grand Banks returning from a Halifax patrol. She was told 27 December that if operations in the vicinity of Anticosti Island were no longer possible because of the season, she was to operate off Halifax harbor.

(Note: (1) The 7219-ton British MV, SANTUCKY, in HHX-327 was torpedoed off Halifax and beached 21 December. HMCS CLAYOQUOT, an AM, was torpedoed and sunk 15 miles off Halifax 24 December while on A/S search prior to the sailing of XB-139 for Boston.

(2) An RCAF Liberator attacked a periscope southeast of Halifax 25 December. Oil bubbles and wreckage were reported.)

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