

Monday 19 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	18° 05' N	17° 17' N	16° 45' N
Long.	107° 35' E	108° 05' E	107° 55' E

00-04 Steaming independently under the operational control of Commander Task Group 70.8 enroute from South Talos Station, Gulf of Tonkin to NGFS duties off coast of Vietnam in accordance with CTG 70.8 MSG DTG 090900 Jun '72. Course 130° T Speed 5 kts. SOPA is CO this ship. Modified condition of readiness two and material condition Yoke set. Ship darkened with the exception of standard navigation lights.

0025- Commenced engineering casualty control drills.
0132- c/c to 310° T. Secured from casualty control drills.

03-06 Underway as before.
0404- c/c to 130° T, c/s to 15 kts.
0413- Commenced engineering casualty control drills.
0525- c/c to 180° T, c/s to 5 kts. Secured from engineering casualty control drills.

06-09 Underway as before.
0810- c/b/c to 150° T.
0850- Commenced engineering casualty control drills. Mustered the crew on station, absentees: none.

09-12 Underway as before.
0937- Secured fires in 1A Boiler.
0953- Secured from engineering casualty control drills.
0957- c/s to 20 kts.

12-15 Underway as before.
1241- c/c to 120° T.
1352- c/c to 270° T, c/s to 23 kts.
1448- c/c to 250° T.

15-18 Underway as before.
1511- c/c to 260° T.
1537- c/s to 20 kts, c/c to 000° T
1539- Stationed the helo detail.
1550- Secured the helo detail.
1551- c/c to 260° T
1559- c/c to 280° T, c/s to 16 kts.
1625- c/c to 273° T.
1635- Set the Special Sea and Replenishment Detail. Made rendezvous with USS

Passumpsic. Replenishment course 130° T, speed 10 kts.
 1656- c/c to 133° T, c/s to 15 kts. Commenced approach, Captain on the bridge, JOOD at the conn.
 1700- On station along side port side Passumpsic.
 1702- First line over.
 1705- (???) wire secured aft.
 1710- Received fuel hose fwd.
 1713- Commenced receiving fuel.
 1715- Commenced receiving stores aft.
 1735- Completed receiving stores.
 1743- Fueling complete.
 1751- All lines and hoses clear. Maneuvering to clear portside of Passumpsic.
 1753- Clear of Passumpsic.
 1755- Secured the Special Sea and Replenishment Detail. C/c to 060° T, c/s to 20 kts.
 1800- c/c to 090° T
 1803- c/c to 125° T
 1804- c/s to 12 kts, made rendezvous with USS Haleakala (AE-25).

18-21 Underway as before.

1812- On station 182° R, 1000 yds from the Haleakala.
 1827- Set the Special Sea and Rearming Detail – commenced preparations for rearming.
 1836- Commenced approach, Captain on the bridge, JOOD conning.
 1841- On station along side port side of Haleakala.
 1841- First line over.
 1853- Received first load of projectiles.
 1900- Rearming completed.
 1909- All lines clear. Maneuvering to clear port side of Haleakala.
 1911- Clear of Haleakala. Secured the Special Sea and Rearming Detail having received from Haleakala 144 rounds 5"/54 calibre HC projectiles and 156 rounds 5"/54 calibre universal powder charges.
 1913- c/b/c 320° T, c/b/s 7 kts. Proceeding to rendezvous with CTU 70.8.9 in the vicinity of Pt. Angela.
 2015- Lit fires #1B boiler, secured fires 1A boiler.

21-24 Underway as before.

2105- c/s 6 kts.
 2327- c/c to 045° T

Tuesday 20 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 53' N	16° 55' N	16° 52' N
Long.	107° 15' E	107° 17' E	107° 18' E

00-04 Steaming independently under the operational control of Commander Task Group 70.8 enroute from South Talos Station, Gulf of Tonkin to NGFS duties in vicinity Quang Tri, South Vietnam, in accordance with CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Course 045° T speed 6 kts. SOPA is commanding officer this ship. Modified condition of readiness two and material condition Yoke are set. Ship darkened except for standard navigation lights.

0100- c/c to 225° T, c/s to 5 kts.

0103- lit fires in 1A boiler.

0200- c/s to 8 kts.

0250- c/s to 10 kts.

03-06 Underway as before.

0342- c/s to 6 kts.

0345- c/s to 12 kts., c/c to 045° T.

0348- c/s to 15 kts.

0353- c/s to 10 kts.

0358- c/s to 5 kts.

0437- c/c to 225° T.

0448- c/c to 223° T.

0450- c/s to 10 kts.

0504- c/s to 19 kts.

0520- c/c to 258° T.

0604- c/s to 10 kts., made rendezvous with Task Unit 70.8.9, OTC and SOPA is CTU 70.8.9, Commander Destroyer Squadron is embarking in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36).

06-12 Underway as before.

0636- c/c to 225° T., c/s to 3 kts.

0650- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station at Point C.

0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.

1026- Secured fires in 1A boiler.

1115- c/c to 325° T., c/s to 2.5 kts. Proceeding to Point A for firing mission.

12-18 Underway as before.

1155- Set material condition Zebra main deck and below. Commenced NGFS fire mission maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

1219- Commenced fire to starboard on target 540, enemy AA site.

1222- Checked fire.

1227- Commenced fire to starboard.

1229- Ceased fire, expended 20 rounds 5"/54 cal hicap projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

1236- Commenced firing to starboard on target 541, enemy supply area.

1240- Check fire, casualty to Mount 51.

1255- Casualty restored.
1307- Commenced firing to starboard.
1310- Ceased fire, expended 20 rounds 5"/54 cal hicap projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1340- Commenced firing to starboard on enemy 37mm AA site.
1344- Ceased fire, expended 20 rounds 5"/54 cal hicap projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1406- Commenced firing to port on enemy artillery sites.
1410- Ceased fire. Expended 20 rounds 5"/54 cal hicap projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1423- Commenced firing to starboard on target believed to be enemy convoy.
1435- Ceased fire, expended 8 rounds 5"/54 cal hicap projectiles and 8 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1438- Commenced firing to port on enemy artillery sight.
1441- Ceased fire. Expended 20 rounds 5"/54 cal hicap projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1445- Proceeding to fire station C.
1505- On station maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1710- Proceeding to station C.
1715- c/c to 020° T
1725- c/c to 130° T
1733- c/c to 295° T
1736- c/c to 330° T, computer casualty, unable to complete mission. Instructed to clear to seaward and maintain distance 10,000 yds from beach.
1740- c/c to 350° T
1748- c/s to 5 kts.
1753- c/c to 130° T, set material condition Yoke.

18-24 Underway as before.
1825- c/c to 210° T
1835- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to point F. Set material condition Zebra main deck and below.
1842- On station maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1921- Commenced firing to port on enemy gun emplacement target #504,508.
1925- Ceased fire.
1935- Commenced firing to starboard on target #524, enemy gun emplacement.
1938- Ceased fire.
2036- Commenced firing to stbd. at target #523, enemy 130 mm gun emplacement.
2039- Ceased fire.
2040- Commenced firing to stbd. at target #525, enemy gun emplacement.
2002- Ceased fire. Total rounds expended: 60 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 60 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges. No casualties.
2048- Set Material Condition Yoke.

2050- Cleared area to seaward to perform Mount 51 maintenance.
 2233- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to gain Point "Foxtrot".
 2247- On station, Point "Foxtrot". Maneuvering to maintain station.
 2249- Set Material Condition Zebra main deck and below.

Wednesday 21 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 59' N	16° 53' N	16° 57' N
Long.	107° 22' E	107° 21' E	107° 35' E

00-06 Steaming on station at NGFS in vicinity at Point Angela, South China Sea as a unit of T.G. 70.8.9 in accordance with CTU 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Base course 130° T. Base speed 3 kts. OTC is CTU 70.8.9 ComDesRon Fifteen embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). SOPA is ComDesRon Fifteen embarked in McCain. Condition of readiness two, material condition Yoke set throughout the ship and Material Condition Zebra set main deck and below. Ship is darkened. The ship is presently engaged in a firing mission on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

0001- Commenced firing to starboard target 55, area target.
 0005- Commenced firing to starboard
 0008- Ceased firing.
 0016- Commenced firing to starboard.
 0017- Ceased firing
 0020- Commenced firing to starboard.
 0050- Ceased firing. Total rounds expended 200 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 200 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges. No casualties.
 0057- Commenced firing to starboard target 56, area target.
 0059- Ceased firing.
 0110- Commenced firing starboard.
 0207- Ceased firing. Total rounds expended 25 rds 5"/54 cal HC, 172 rds AAC, 3 rds 5"/54 HECVT with 200 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges. No casualties.
 0225- Proceeding to take station 10,000 yds from the beach.
 0255- On station on various courses at various speeds to maintain station. Normal navigational lights set in dimmed position.

06-09 Underway as before.

0600- Set stand down condition two.
 0610- Set material condition Yoke.

09-12 Underway as before.

12-18 Underway as before.

- 1201- Set condition II. Proceeding on a NGFS firing mission on target N-11, box target.
- 1210- c/s to 3 kts.
- 1215- c/c to 310° T.
- 1217- c/s to 10 kts.
- 1218- c/s to 3 kts., on station.
- 1225- Commenced firing to port. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
- 1227- Ceased fire. Casualty to Mount 51.
- 1235- Commenced firing to port.
- 1236- Ceased firing. Casualty to Mount 51. Expended 9 rounds 5"/54 cal HECVT and 9 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 1244- Received 6 rounds hostile fire close aboard the port bow. C/s to 23 kts. c/c to 350° T. Proceeding to seaward.
- 1246- Set General Quarters. Assessed that ship received shrapnel hits.
- 1247- c/s to 20 kts.
- 1252- Set material condition Zebra throughout the ship.
- 1257- c/c to 050° T., set the HIFR Detail.
- 1305- c/c to 140° T.
- 1306- c/c to 130° T.
- 1307- c/c to 070° T.
- 1308- c/c to 060° T. Set material condition Yoke throughout the ship.
- 1313- c/c to 020° T., c/s to 20 kts.
- 1315- c/s to 15 kts.
- 1336- Secured the HIFR Detail. Secured from General Quarters. Set stand down modified condition two.
- 1342- c/c to 100. Proceeding to rendezvous with USS Mount Katmai (AE-16) to rearm and USS Mispillion (AO-105) to fuel.
- 1404- c/c to 105° T., c/s to 23 kts.
- 1405- c/c to 102° T.
- 1408- c/c to 125° T.
- 1413- c/c to 110° T.
- 1515- c/c to 112° T.
- 1555- c/c to 105° T.
- 1558- c/c to 108° T.
- 1600- Made rendezvous with Mount Katmai. c/c to 084° T., c/s to 15 kts.
- 1601- c/c to 080° T.
- 1602- c/c to 070° T.
- 1603- c/c to 050° T.
- 1604- c/c to 125° T.
- 1607- c/c to 135° T.
- 1611- c/c to 305° T., c/s to 12 kts. Set the Special Sea and Replenishment Detail. Maneuvering to take station 1000 yds astern Mount Katmai.
- 1615- On station, replenishment course 305° T., speed 12 kts.

1620- c/s to 20 kts. Commenced approach. Captain on the bridge. OOD at the conn.
1622- c/c to 304° T.
1624- On station alongside starboard side Mount Katmai. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1625- First line over.
1636- Received first pallet.
1706- Completed receiving ammunition.
1726- All lines clear. Maneuvering to clear starboard side of Mount Katmai.
1729- Clear of Mount Katmai, proceeding to take station 1,000 yards astern Mispillion.
1732- c/s to 18 kts.. Commenced approach to Mispillion. LtJG Stumpff at the conn.
1734- Replenishment course 305° T., speed 12 knots. On station alongside port side Mispillion, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1735- First line over.
1744- Received first fuel hose.
1745- Commenced receiving fuel.
1759- Fueling completed.
1808- All lines and hoses clear. Maneuvering to clear port side Mispillion.
1812- Clear of Mispillion. Maneuvering to come alongside starboard side Mispillion for personnel transfer.

18-21 Underway as before.

1815- c/s to 18 kts. Commenced approach to Mispillion. Captain on the bridge. OOD at the conn.
1818- On station alongside stbd side Mispillion.
1820- First line over.
1828- Commenced personnel transfer via manila high line.
1832- Transfer complete.
1835- Commenced transferring retrograde to Mispillion.
1920- Transfer complete.
1924- All lines clear. Maneuvering to clear stbd side Mispillion. Secured Special Sea and Replenishment Detail.
1927- c/c to 255° T., c/s to 20 kts.
1929- c/c to 245° T., c/s to 8 kts. Proceeding to make rendezvous with TU 70.8.9 in vicinity of Pt. Angela.
1955- c/b/c to 250° T.

21-24 Underway as before.

2114- c/s 2.5 kts., Made rendezvous with TU 70.8.9.
2130- c/s 237° T.
2206- c/c 250° T. Proceeding to Point 6 in vicinity of Pt. Betsy.
2330- On station Point 6. Base course 130° T., base speed 3 kts.

Thursday 22 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 52' N	16° 49' N	16° 49' N
Long.	107° 23' E	107° 23' E	107° 21' E

00-06 Steaming in vicinity of Point Betsy, South China Sea with units of TG 70.8.9 in accordance with CTU 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Base course 130° T., Base speed 5 kts. OTC is CTU 70.8.9 ComDesRon Fifteen embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). SOPA is ComDesRon Fifteen embarked in McCain. Condition of readiness two, material condition Yoke set throughout the ship. Ship is darkened.

0017- c/c 310° T.

0101- c/c 130° T.

0153- c/c 300° T.

0159- c/s to 2.5 kts

0243- c/c 130° T.

0250- c/c 140° T.

0312- c/c 130° T.

0434- c/c 030° T.

0437- c/c 310° T.

0504- c/c 215° T.

0507- c/c 305° T., c/s to 20 kts, proceeding to vicinity Point Angela.

0510- c/c 350° T.

0519- c/c 320° T.

0550- c/c 305° T.

06-09 Underway as before.

0609- c/c 255° T.

0612- c/s to 5 kts.

0614- Make rendezvous with TU 70.8.9, Units in vicinity Pt. Angela. Proceeding to station 5000 yds to seaward of Pt. 'India'. c/c 180° T.

0624- On station. Maneuvering at various courses on various speeds to maintain station.

0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.

09-12 Proceeding to station I.

0908- On station maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

1100- Stationed Helo detail for mail and personnel transfer.

1111- Helo over the flight deck.

1113- Helo away to port, transfer complete, secured the helo detail.

1131- Preparing for Naval Gunfire Support Mission, Set material condition Zebra, main deck and below.

12-18 Underway as before.

1200- On station. Commenced firing to port at suspected enemy position target number N-14.

1201- Check fire, casualty to Mount 51. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

1216- Commenced firing to starboard.

1221- Check fire.

1223- Commenced firing to port.

1224- Check fire.

1304- Commenced firing to starboard.

1305- Ceased firing. Expended 50 rounds 5"/54 cal HICAP projectiles and 50 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

1315- Commenced firing to port on suspected enemy position, target number N-7.

1321- Check fire.

1322- Commenced firing to port.

1323- Checked fire.

1324- Commenced firing.

1325- Ceased firing. Expended 50 rounds 5"/54 cal HICAP projectiles and 50 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

1327- c/c 040° T., c/s to 10 kts., clearing area to seaward.

1335- Set material condition Yoke throughout the ship. c/c 340° T., c/s to 3 kts, maintaining station 8,000 yards from the beach, opposite point I, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

18-24 Underway as before.

1841- Set material condition Zebra main deck and below.

1858- Commenced firing H and I mission at targets, Box #2 and #4, to interrupt troop movements.

1859- Checked fire.

1902- Resumed firing to stbd.

1904- Checked fire.

1911- Resumed firing to stbd.

1916- Checked fire.

1925- Resumed firing to port.

1931- Checked fire.

1948- Resumed firing to port.

2006- Ceased fire, due to gun casualty.

2024- Maneuvering to station 5000 yds to seaward Pt. India.

2037- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station. Total rounds expended: 85 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles and 85

- rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 2125- c/c 280° T.
- 2128- c/c 285° T.
- 2134- c/c 320° T. Proceeding to Point 'Charlie'.
- 2330- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

Friday 23 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 57' N	16° 49' N	16° 50' N
Long.	107° 21' E	107° 20' E	107° 21' E

00-06 Steaming in vicinity of Point Angela, South China Sea as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 composed of various units CruDesGru Seventh Fleet in accordance with CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z Jun. This ship is in station Charlie steering various courses and speeds to remain vicinity Charlie. SOPA and OTC is ComDesRon 15 CTU 70.8.9 embarked USS John S. McCain (DDG-36), Condition of readiness two and modified condition Zebra set.

- 0001- Commenced firing NGFS mission on area target Golf Golf (Point tgts 1-8)
- 0052- Ceased fire target GG. 80 rounds HC projectiles, 80 rounds universal powder expended. No casualty.
- 0103- Mt. 51 casualty – ruptured hydraulic line.
- 0125- Set material condition Yoke. Proceed to station 10,000 yds seaward Station Charlie.
- 0127- On station, commenced maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to remain in assigned station.

06-09 Underway as before.

- 0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.
- 0855- Proceeding to station 5,000 seaward of station Golf.
- 0858- Gun casualty restored.

09-12 Underway as before.

- 0920- On station 5,000 yd seaward of firing position Golf.
- 0925- Lit fires #1A boiler.
- 0940- c/c 050° T., c/s to 2.5 kts. Maneuvering seaward of firing position 'Foxtrot' to receive helo for personnel transfer and HIFR.
- 1036- c/c 030° T., c/s to 15 kts.
- 1039- Stationed the Helo Detail for personnel transfer and inflight refueling.
- 1053- c/c 210° T.
- 1055- Helo has green deck.

1103- Personnel transfer complete.
1105- Commenced Inflight Refueling.
1121- Secured fueling helo. Helo clear to port.
1122- Secured the Helo Detail. Proceeding 2000 yds to seaward of firing position 'Foxtrot'. c/c 220° T.
1125- Secured fires #1B boiler.
1131-Set material condition ZEBRA main deck and below.
1142- Maneuvering to station 2000 yds to seaward of firing position 'Echo'.
1155- On station maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

12-18 Underway as before.

1213- Commenced firing to port on 33 unnumbered targets.
1310- Ceased firing. Expended: 165 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 165 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1315- c/c 105° T., c/s to 20 kts., proceeding to rearm with USS Mount Katmai (AE-16), material condition Yoke.
1417- c/c 117° T.
1419- c/c 118° T.
1420- c/s to 15 kts.
1421- Made rendezvous with Mount Katmai. Set the Special Sea and Replenishment Detail. Commenced preparations for rearming from Mount Katmai.
1425- c/c 275° T., maneuvering to take station 1,000 yds astern Mount Katmai.
1429- On station, replenishment course 305° T., speed 12 kts.
1435- Commenced approach. Lt. Baldwin at the conn.
1440- On station alongside starboard side Mount Katmai.
1442- First line over. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1455- Commenced receiving projectiles.
1520- c/b/c to 125°
1553- Rearming completed.
1555- All lines clear, maneuvering to clear starboard side of Mount Katmai. C/s to 21 kts.
1559- Clear of Mount Katmai, proceeding to Point C.
1601- Secured the replenishment detail.
1603- c/c 250° T.
1630- c/s to 9 kts.
1707- c/c 240° T.
1734- c/c 155° T., proceeding to vicinity station G.
1736- c/c 136° T.
1740- c/c 130° T.
1753- c/c 120° T.
1755- c/c 300° T.
1756- c/c 050° T., c/s to 3 kts. On station 10,000 yds from the beach opposite station

G maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

18-24 Underway as before.

1813- Proceeding to station G. Base course 211° T., speed 2.5 kts.

1925- Set condition II.

1932- On station, firing position 'Golf'. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

1933- Set material condition ZEBRA main deck and below.

1943- Commenced firing to stbd at target #097, enemy 130 mm gun emplacement.

1945- Ceased fire. Expended: 20 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

2301- Commenced firing to stbd at target #909, enemy gun emplacement.

2305- Ceased fire. Expended: 20 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles and 20 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

Saturday 24 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 57' N	16° 51' N	16° 49' N
Long.	107° 21' E	107° 21' E	107° 23' E (?)

00-06 Steaming in vicinity of Point Angela, South China Sea as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 composed of various units CruDesGru Seventh Flt in accordance with CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z Jun 72. This ship is in fire support station Golf. Maneuvering on various courses and speeds to remain on station. SOPA and OTC is ComDesRon Fifteen CTU 70.8.9 embarked USS John S. McCain (DDG-36), Condition of readiness two and material condition Yoke set.

06-12 Underway as before.

0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.

0757- Set condition II.

0847- Set Material Condition Zebra main deck and below.

0858- Commenced firing to stbd at box target 'Charlie 4' for H and I of enemy troop concentrations.

0912- Checked fire.

0925- Resumed firing.

1012- Checked fire.

1021- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to receive helo.

1027- Set the Helo Detail for mail transfer and InFlight Refueling.

1040- Helo #007 has green deck.

1042- Mail transfer complete.

1048- Commenced inflight refueling.

- 1051- Secured fueling. Helo #007 clear to port.
- 1058- Helo #004 has green deck.
- 1105- Commenced inflight refueling.
- 1111- Secured inflight refueling. Helo #004 clear to port.
- 1112- Secured the helo detail. Proceeding to firing position 'Golf'.
- 1130- On station, firing position 'Golf', maneuvering to maintain station. Resumed firing at box target 'Charlie 4'.
- 1136- Ceased fire. Total rounds expended: 70 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles and 70 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

12-18 Underway as before.

- 1337- Proceeding to point G for NGFS firing mission.
- 1347- On station. Commenced firing on target number 13. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
- 1349- Ceased firing, expended: 10 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 10 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 1355- Commenced firing to starboard on target number 16.
- 1451- Ceased firing, expended: 100 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 100 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 1458- Commenced firing to starboard on box target number 18.
- 1546- Ceased firing, expended: 100 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 100 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 1555- Commenced firing to starboard on box target number 17.
- 1625- Ceased firing, expended: 50 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 50 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 1636- Commenced firing to starboard on box target number 13.
- 1655- Ceased firing, expended: 40 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 50 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges. Proceeding to station 8,000 yards from the beach opposite point G. c/c to 065 c/s to 15 kts.
- 1700- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

18-24 Underway as before.

- 1935- Proceeding to rendezvous with U.S.S. Mars (AFS-1). Base course 112° T., speed 20 kts.
- 2108- Made rendezvous with Mars. Proceeding to rescue destroyer station 2000 yds astern Mars.
- 2203- On station, base course 305° T., base speed 12 kts. Set the Special Sea and Replenishment. Commenced preparations to receive stores from Mars. Maneuvering to take station astern of Mars.
- 2300- On station, base course 305° T., base speed 12 kts.
- 2315- Commenced approach, Captain on the bridge, JOOD at the conn.
- 2321- On station along side stbd side of Mars.

2325- Received first line aft.
 2341- Commenced receiving stores from Mars.
 2358- Stores transfer complete.

Sunday 25 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 54' N	16° 53' N	16° 47' N
Long.	107° 20' E	107° 18' E	107° 25' E

00-06 Underway as a unit of task unit 70.8.9 performing underway replenishment with USS Mars (AFS-1) in the vicinity of MR-1 in accordance with CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900Z June 72. This ship is presently alongside starboard side Mars, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station. Base course 305° T., base speed 12 kts. SOPA and OTC is ComDesRon Fifteen (CTU 70.8.9) embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). Modified condition of readiness Two and material condition Yoke are set.

0008- All lines clear. Maneuvering to clear starboard side of Mars.
 0009- Normal navigational lights energized.
 0011- c/c to 063° T., c/s to 20 kts. Proceeding to rendezvous with USS Pyro (AE-24). Stationed the rearming detail. Commenced preparations for rearming from Pyro.
 0049- Maneuvering to take station 1,000 yds astern Pyro.
 0055- On station. Replenishment course 125° T., speed 12 kts.
 0106- Commenced approach. Captain on the bridge, OOD at the conn.
 0112- Alongside starboard side Pyro.
 0117- First line over. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
 0138- Commenced receiving powder charges.
 0231- Rearming complete.
 0237- All lines clear, maneuvering to clear starboard side Pyro.
 0240- Clear of Pyro. Proceeding to station E. Secured the Special Sea and Replenishment Detail and the Rearming Detail. c/c to 285° T., c/s to 16 kts.
 0457- Extinguished navigational lights.
 0506- c/s to 10 kts.
 0520- c/c to 280° T.
 0532- c/c to 270° T.
 0545- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

06-09 Underway as before.

0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.

09-12 Underway as before.

- 0940- Motor whale boat from USS Lockwood (DE-1064) alongside stbd quarter for personnel transfer. Offloaded 1 (one) round 5"/54 cal short powder charge.
- 0955- MWB clear to stbd.
- 1027- Set Readiness Condition Two, Material Condition ZEBRA main deck and below.
- 1032- Commenced firing to port at suspected enemy troop concentration..
- 1054- Ceased fire. Expended: 100 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles and 100 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 1159- Set standown Readiness Condition II

12-18 Underway as before.

- 1250- USS Providence (CLG-6) made rendezvous with task unit 70.8.9 for assignment to duty. CTG 70.8 / ComCruDesFlot Eleven embarked in Providence assumed SOPA.
- 1428- Stationed the helo detail. c/c to 065° T., c/s to 10 kts.
- 1430- c/c to 070° T.
- 1445- Secured the helo detail. Proceeding to station EC.
- 1455- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
- 1510- Set Condition II.
- 1521- Proceeding to station E for an NGFS firing mission.
- 1547- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
- 1600- Commenced fir to starboard on target number 10.
- 1658- Ceased firing. Expended: 97 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap projectiles and 97 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges. Proceeding to station 15,000 yards seaward of point E. c/c to 050° T., c/s to 10 kts. Set standown Condition II, set Material Condition Yoke.
- 1728- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

18-21 Underway as before.

- 1844- Proceeding to Pt. Betsy to assist U.S.S. Waddell (DDG-24) in recovery of motor whale boat. Base course 130° T., speed 23 kts.
- 1858- Received word from Waddell assistance no longer required. C/b/c 310° T., c/b/s 2.5 kts., maneuvering various courses at various speeds to remain 15,000 yards seaward of Point E.

Monday 26 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 55' N	16° 54' N	16° 41' N
Long.	107° 21' E	107° 25' E	107° 40' E

00-03 Underway in the vicinity of Pt. Angela, Military Region One, Republic of South Vietnam in the South China Sea as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 in accordance with CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Base course 130°, base speed 3 kts. SOPA is CTG 70.8, ComCruDesFlot Eleven embarked in USS Providence (CLG-6). OTC is CTU 70.8.9, ComDesRon Fifteen, embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). Modified Condition of Readiness Two and Material Condition Yoke set. Ship darkened.

0020- c/s 10 kts., c/c to 310° T.

0026- c/s 2.5 kts.

0214- c/c to 130° T.

03-06 Underway as before.

0418- c/c to 310° T.

0526- c/c to 130° T.

06-09 Underway as before.

0610- c/c to 250° T.

0752- c/c to 130° T.

0814- Proceeding to rendezvous with U.S.S. Stoddert (DDG-22) for personnel transfer.

0836- Made rendezvous with Stoddert.

0840- Lit fires 1B boiler

0849- Motor whale boat lowered and away to stbd.

0904- Motor whale boat alongside stbd and recovered.

0906- Motor whale boat on deck. C/b/c 340° T., c/s 10 kts.

09-12 Underway as before.

0916- c/c to 000° T.

0919- c/c to 010° T.

0923- c/s to 5 kts.

0933- c/c to 130° T.

1113- c/c to 310° T.

12-15 Underway as before.

1242- c/c to 130° T.

1311- c/c to 310° T.

1317- c/s 2.5 kts

1330- c/c to 130° T.

1342- c/s 7.5 kts.

1348- Stationed helo detail for personnel. c/c to 010° T., c/s 10 kts.
 1352- c/c to 005° T.
 1353- Helo nr. 004 over flight deck.
 1356- Transfer complete. Helo cleared to port. Secured helo detail. c/c 225° T.
 1406- c/c to 130° T., c/s 2.5 kts.
 1416- c/s 15 kts.
 1417- c/c to 140° T. Proceeding to firing station 5D, vicinity of Pt. Betsy to conduct small boat run to Tan My Boat Pier, Song Huong River.
 1420- c/s 25 kts
 1425- c/c to 135° T.

15-18 Underway as before.

1523- c/c to 135° T., c/s to 20 kts.
 1525- c/s to 10 kts.
 1526- c/s to 5 kts. On station Point Betsy maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
 1535- The gig lowered to the water.
 1540- The gig away to port.
 1725- Gig alongside.
 1730- Gig hoisted. C/s to 25 kts. Proceeding to station K.
 1731- c/c to 330° T.
 1734- c/c to 310° T.

18-21 Underway as before.

1817- Made rendezvous with John S. McCain. Motor whale boat lowered to the water and away to stbd. For material transfer with J.S. McCain.
 1847- Transfer complete. Motor whale alongside stbd.
 1848- Motor whale boat on deck. Proceeding to Point Betsy. Base course 136° T., base speed 23 kts.
 1955- On station Point Betsy, base course 220° T., speed 2.5 kts.
 2015- c/b/c 040° T. Maneuvering at various courses and speeds to maintain station 7000-10000 yards from the beach seaward of Point Betsy.

21-24 Underway as before.

Tuesday 27 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 39' N	16° 39' N	16° 38' N
Long.	107° 41' E	107° 40' E	107° 35' E

00-03 Underway in the vicinity of Pt. Betsy, Military Region One, Republic of South Vietnam in the South China Sea as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 in accordance with

CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station 7000-10000 yds from the shore seaward of Pt. Betsy. SOPA is CTG 70.8, ComCruDesFlot Eleven embarked in USS Providence (CLG-6). OTC is CTU 70.8.9, ComDesRon Fifteen, embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). Modified Condition of Readiness Two and Material Condition Yoke set. Ship darkened except for navigational lights.

03-06 Underway as before. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

06-09 Underway as before.

0700- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.

09-12 Underway as before.

12-15 Underway as before.

15-18 Underway as before.

18-21 Underway as before.

21-24 Underway as before.

Wednesday 28 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 40' N	16° 40' N	16° 38' N
Long.	107° 38' E	107° 30' E	107° 40' E

00-03 Underway in the South China Sea in the vicinity of Pt. Betsy, Military Region One, Republic of South Vietnam as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 in accordance with CTG 70.8 msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station 7000-10000 yds from the shore seaward of Pt. Betsy. SOPA is CTG 70.8, ComCruDesFlot Eleven embarked in USS Providence (CLG-6). OTC is CTU 70.8.9, ComDesRon Fifteen, embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). Modified Condition of Readiness Two and Material Condition Yoke set. Ship darkened except for running lights.

0237- Commander, Seventh Fleet embarked in USS Oklahoma City (CLG-5) assumed duties as SOPA.

03-06 Underway as before.

06-09 Underway as before.

0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.

09-12 Underway as before.

12-15 Underway as before.

15-18 Underway as before.

18-21 Underway as before.

21-24 Underway as before.

Thursday 29 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 44' N	16° 51' N	16° 50' N
Long.	107° 27' E	107° 23' E	107° 23' E

00-06 Underway in the South China Sea in the vicinity of Pt. Betsy, Military Region One, Republic of South Vietnam as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 in accordance with CTG msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station 7000-10000 yards from the shore seaward of Pt. Betsy. SOPA is Commander Seventh Fleet embarked in USS Oklahoma City (CLG-5). OTC is CTU 70.8.9, ComDesRon Fifteen, embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). Modified Condition of Readiness Two and Material Condition Yoke set. Ship darkened except for navigation lights.

0049- Relieved on station by USS Higbee (DD-806) and detached to proceed to firing station vicinity of Pt. Angela. c/c to 320° T.

0052- Set Condition of Readiness Two. C/s 10 kts.

0055- c/s to 25 kts., c/c to 315° T.

0117- Proceeding to station five nautical miles seaward of point 'J'.

0125- c/c to 320° T.

0128- c/s to 15 kts. Secured navigational lights.

0134- c/c to 315° T.

0138- On station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

0349- c/c to 160° T., c/s to 15 kts. Proceeding to station 'O' (?) for firing mission.

0353- c/c to 170° T.

0355- c/s to 20 kts.

0406- c/c to 180° T.

0408- Set Material Condition ZEBRA main deck and below.

0412- c/s to 10 kts., c/c to 220° T.

0413- Engine stop.

0416- c/s to 5 kts.
0422- c/s to 3 kts.
0426- On station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
0511- Commenced fire to port on target Q-3.

06-12 Underway as before.

0558- Ceased fire. Expended: 22 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 22 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
0643- Commenced firing to port at target #Q2.
0700- Ceased fire.
0706- Commenced firing to port at target #Q3
0725- Ceased fire.
0740- Mustered the crew on station. Absentees: none.
0829- Commenced firing to stbd to clear landing zone.
0844- Ceased fire. Total rounds expended: 2 rounds 5"/54 cal WP projectiles, 2 rounds 5"/54 cal HE-CVT projectiles and 34 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 38 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
0932- c/c to 000° T.
0934- c/s to 25 kts.
0937- c/s to 27 kts. Proceeding to gunfire support position 'Alpha'. c/c to 340° T.
0940- c/c to 330° T.
0942- c/c to 320° T.
0950- c/c to 310° T.
0955- c/c to 340° T.
0959- c/c to 290° T.
1001- c/s to 15 kts.
1006- c/s to 2.5 kts.
1008- c/c to 130° T. On station at Gunfire Support Station "Alpha". Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1135- c/c to 090° T., c/s to 20 kts. Proceeding to Gunfire Support Position 'India'.
1139- c/c to 105° T.
1140- c/c to 140° T.
1154- c/c to 150° T.
1156- c/s to 10 kts.

12-18 Underway as before.

1207- On station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
1642- Commenced firing to starboard on two unnumbered box targets.
1654- Ceased firing. Expended: 60 rounds 5"/54 cal HiCap and 60 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1658- c/c to 010° T., c/s to 15 kts. Proceeding to a station 5,000 yds seaward of point I.

- 1707- c/c to 050° T.
- 1712- c/c to 130° T., c/s to 5 kts.
- 1750- Received motor whale boat from USS Halsey (DD-836) alongside port side for material transfer.
- 1754- Hanson motor whale boat clear to port.
- 1755- c/c to 157° T.

18-24 Underway as before.

- 1815- c/c to 172° T.
- 1841- c/c to 202° T.
- 1905- c/c to 188° T.
- 1925- c/c to 186° T.
- 1943- c/c to 130° T. On station at gunfire support station "India". Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.
- 2117- Commenced firing to starboard on 130 mm gun sight.
- 2130- Ceased firing. Rounds expended: 5 rounds 5"/54 cal HE-CVT projectiles and 95 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 100 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 2142- Commenced firing to starboard on an active artillery site.
- 2153- Ceased firing. Rounds expended: 50 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 50 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
- 2255- Commenced firing to starboard on an artillery site cancelled. Rounds expended: 15 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles with 15 rounds 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.

Friday 30 June 1972

	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	16° 50' N	16° 49' N	16° 52' N
Long.	107° 22' E	107° 21' E	107° 36' E

- 00-06** Underway in South China Sea at firing station India in the vicinity of Pt. Angela, Military Region One, Republic of South Vietnam as a unit of Task Unit 70.8.9 in accordance with CTG msg DTG 090900 Z June 72. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while conducting naval gunfire support. SOPA is Commander Seventh Fleet embarked in USS Oklahoma City (CLG-5). OTC is CTU 70.8.9, ComDesRon Fifteen, embarked in USS John S. McCain (DDG-36). Condition of Readiness Two set and Material Condition Yoke with Material Condition Zebra main deck and below set. Ship darkened.
- 0023- Commenced firing on North Vietnamese artillery site.
- 0025- Ceased firing. Rounds expended: 40 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles. 40 rounds 5"/54 cal universal full powder charges. Mission complete.
- 0031- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to take and maintain station 8,000-10,000 yards from shore seaward of firing station India.

06-12 Underway as before.

0740- Mustered the crew on station, Absentees: none.

0755- Proceeding to firing station India.

0801- CTU 70.8.9 ComDesRon 15 shifted his flag to USS Newport News (CA-148).

0806- On station, maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

0855- Maneuvering on various courses at various speed to receive helo.

0858- Stationed the Helo Detail.

0924- Commence helo transfer of mail and personnel.

0929- Helo transfer complete.

0930- Helo away to port. Secured the helo detail. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to regain station.

0948- On station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

1005- Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to receive helo.

1010- Stationed the helo detail for MedEvac.

1024- Commenced personnel transfer.

1028- Personnel transfer complete.

1029- Helo away to port. Secured the Helo Detail. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to regain station.

1053- On station. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds to maintain station.

12-18 Underway as before.

1537- Stationed helo detail for personnel transfer.

1542- Commenced personnel transfer.

1544- Secured personnel transfer.

1545- Helo away to port. Secured helo detail.

1640- Relieved on station by USS Eversole (DD-789). Departed station to rendezvous with USS Mt. Katmai (AE-16) for replenishment. Set material condition Yoke. Set modified condition of readiness Two. b/c to 113° T., b/s 25 kts.

1747- Made rendezvous with Mt. Katmai.

1750- Set the Special Sea and Replenishment Detail, c/c to 305° T., c/s 15 kts.

18-21 Underway as before.

1801- Commenced approach. Captain on the bridge. JOOD conning. Replenishment course 305° T., speed 10 kts.

1810- On station alongside portside of Mt. Katmai.

1811- First line over.

1820- Highline rigged forward.

1822- Commenced receiving ammunition

1916- Completed rearming.
1919- All lines clear. Maneuvering to clear port side of Mt. Katmai.
1921- Clear of Mt. Katmai. Maneuvering to go alongside USS Ashtabula (AO-51).
Ammunition received from Mt. Katmai: 598 rounds 5"/54 cal HC projectiles and
546 rounds of 5"/54 cal universal powder charges.
1953- On station astern Ashtabula. Replenishment course 075° T., speed 10 kts.
2032- Commenced approach to starboard side Ashtabula. JOOD conning.
2033- On station alongside starboard side Ashtabula.
2035- First line over.
2045- Received fuel hose forward.
2048- Commenced receiving fuel. Highline rigged aft for transfer of stores and
retrograde.

21-24 Underway as before.

2100- Commenced receiving stores aft.
2125- Secured pumping forward. All lines cleared forward.
2225- Commenced returning retrograde aft.
2318- Transfer completed.
2325- Cleared aft. Maneuvering to clear starboard side Ashtabula.
2330- Clear of Ashtabula. Secured the Replenishment Detail. Proceeding to Station
"L", basecourse 245° T, speed 28.5 kts.