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ACTION REPORT

USS LCI (L) 92

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1 OCTOBER 1943

OPERATIONS REPORT, LCI (L) 92.

[COVERS ACTION AS PART OF TASK UNIT 81.3.5
WHILE UNLOADING TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT FROM
VESSELS OF SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE AT SALERNO,
ITALY FROM 8-30 SEPTEMBER 1943.]

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PHOTOGRAPH

To: Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet

Via: 1. Commander Task Unit 81.3.5
2. Commander Task Group 81.3
3. Commander Task Force 81
4. Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters

Subject: Operations Report, LCI(L) 92

1. The LCI(L) 92 arrived in SAFTA in convoy at 2330, 8 September, 1943, in an unloaded condition. At 1100, 9 September we were ordered to assist in unloading the S.S. Marnix. During the period from 9 September to 2100, 11 September we made five landings on Red and Green beaches without unusual incident. During this period approximately 1100 troops and considerable baggage were unloaded from the S.S. Marnix and the S.S. Duchess of Bedford. At 2100, 11 September we were ordered by CTF 89 to proceed to Termini Imerese to pick up troops.

2. Upon arrival at Termini Imerese at 1005, 12 September, we were ordered to proceed to Palermo, arriving there at 1510. At 1300, 13 September, we departed Palermo with one hundred eighty-five troops for SAFTA. These troops were landed without incident at 1120, 14 September on Red beach. After beaching we anchored in SAFTA, and remained at anchor until morning of 17 September.

3. At 0330, 17 September, we were ordered to Red beach to take on troops. At 1135 these troops were loaded and we departed for Isola d'Ischia via CTF 85 and Isola di Capri. At 0015, 18 September we landed one hundred forty-four men and their supplies at Porto d'Ischia, departing from there at 0330 for SAFTA. Upon arrival in SAFTA we proceeded to anchorage, and remained there until 0700, 19 September.

4. At 0700, 19 September, upon orders from CTF 89 we proceeded under the direction of Lt. Com. Balliere, USNR to survey beaches from Castelabate northward to Amalfi. This survey continued until 1900, 21 September when we returned to anchorage in SAFTA, remaining at anchor until 1100, 24 SEPTEMBER.

5. At 1100, 24 September we proceeded on orders from CTF 89 under direction of Lt. Com. Balliere, USNR and Major McCall, USA to Isola di Ventotene via CTF 85 and Isola di Capri. Arrived at Isola di Ventotene at 0700, 25 September to find that the troops had been removed. On return trip to SAFTA retrieved the bodies of two men believed killed in the sinking of the USS Skill. These bodies were turned over to the Beachmaster at Red beach for burial, and we proceeded to anchorage in SAFTA at 1900, 25 September, remaining there until 1500, 26 September.

6. At 1500, 26 September, we proceeded to Red beach and loaded one hundred forty troops for transportation to Maiori. These troops were landed without incident at 2030. After beaching we returned to anchorage in SAFTA.

7. Remained at anchorage until 1530, 28 September, when we beached at Red beach and loaded two hundred ten troops for transportation to Maiori. These troops were landed without incident and we returned to SAFTA at 0130, 29 September.

8. At 0800, 29 September, on orders from LCI(L) 236 proceeded in convoy to Bizerte, arriving in Bizerte at 1805, 30 September.

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C.O. USS LCI(L) 92 Ltr.
dated 1 October, 1943.

From: Commander Task Group 81.3.
To : Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.

Via : (1) Commander Task Force 81.
(2) Commander, U. S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters.

Subject: Operations Report, Commanding Officer, LCI(L) 92;
submission of.

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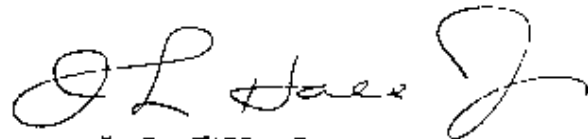
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THIRD ENDORSEMENT to:
C.O. LCI(L)-92, conf. ltr.
dated October 1, 1943.

19 OCT 1943

From: Commander, Eighth Amphibious Force.
To : Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
Via : Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters.
Subject: Operations Report, LCI(L)-92.

1. Forwarded.
2. LCI(L)-92 performed the duties assigned her in a very creditable manner.
3. By copy of this endorsement, the Commanding Officer of LCI(L)-92 is directed to inform Commander, Mine Squadron Six of the circumstances under which the bodies of the men referred to in paragraph 5 of basic letter were found, and the names of the men, if known.



J. L. HALL, Jr.

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