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28 February 1944

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736 FERTIG

In re summary of coast watcher activity for week ending 26 February.

See map attached for coast watcher positions indicated and summary of activity.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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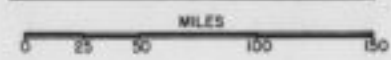
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SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Military Intelligence Section
General Staff
WEEKLY COAST WATCHER REPORT
PERTIG
NR 736 dated 27 Feb. 1944



↑	Total flashes received	39
↑	Total relayed to NAVY	35
○	Sightings and Stations reporting	
	ARC	2
	MACA	13
	MBO	1
	MER	1
	REG	2
	REC	2
	TAB	2
	TUP	1
	VIM	8
	WAG	1
	WAQ	3

Contacts and Call Letters Outside Stations:
MACA 23; TAR 6; TUM 13; UAN 9; VIM 12; WPI 4.

- Stations Unheard and remedy taken:
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power trouble; MBQ recalled and no longer operating.
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TUM, UAN, WAB, WPI, REL

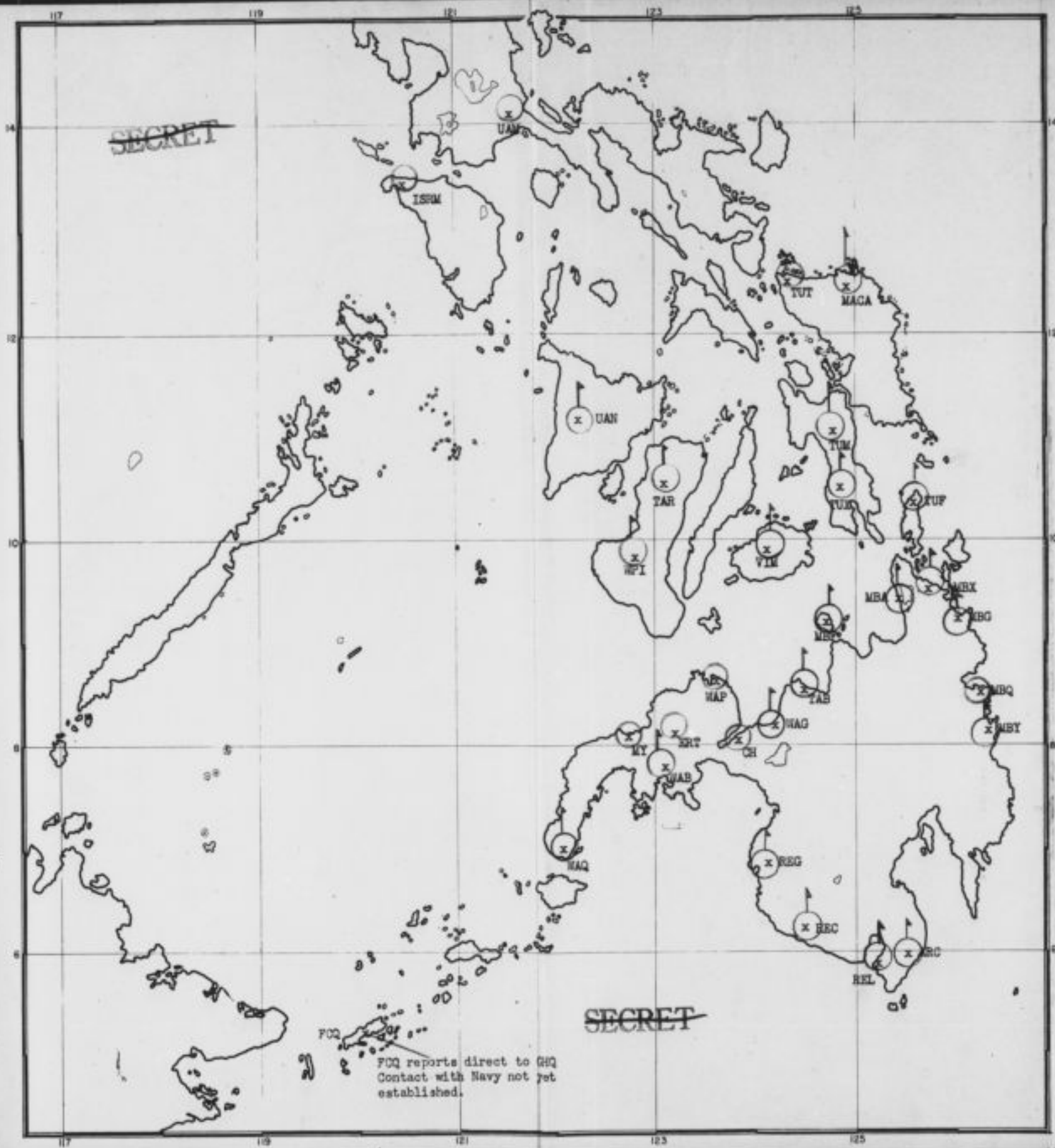
General or Special Comment

Mompog Passage still very active. Sunk off Davao GULF CHOJO MARU
Feb 16, previously reported. Total targets reports during week-144.

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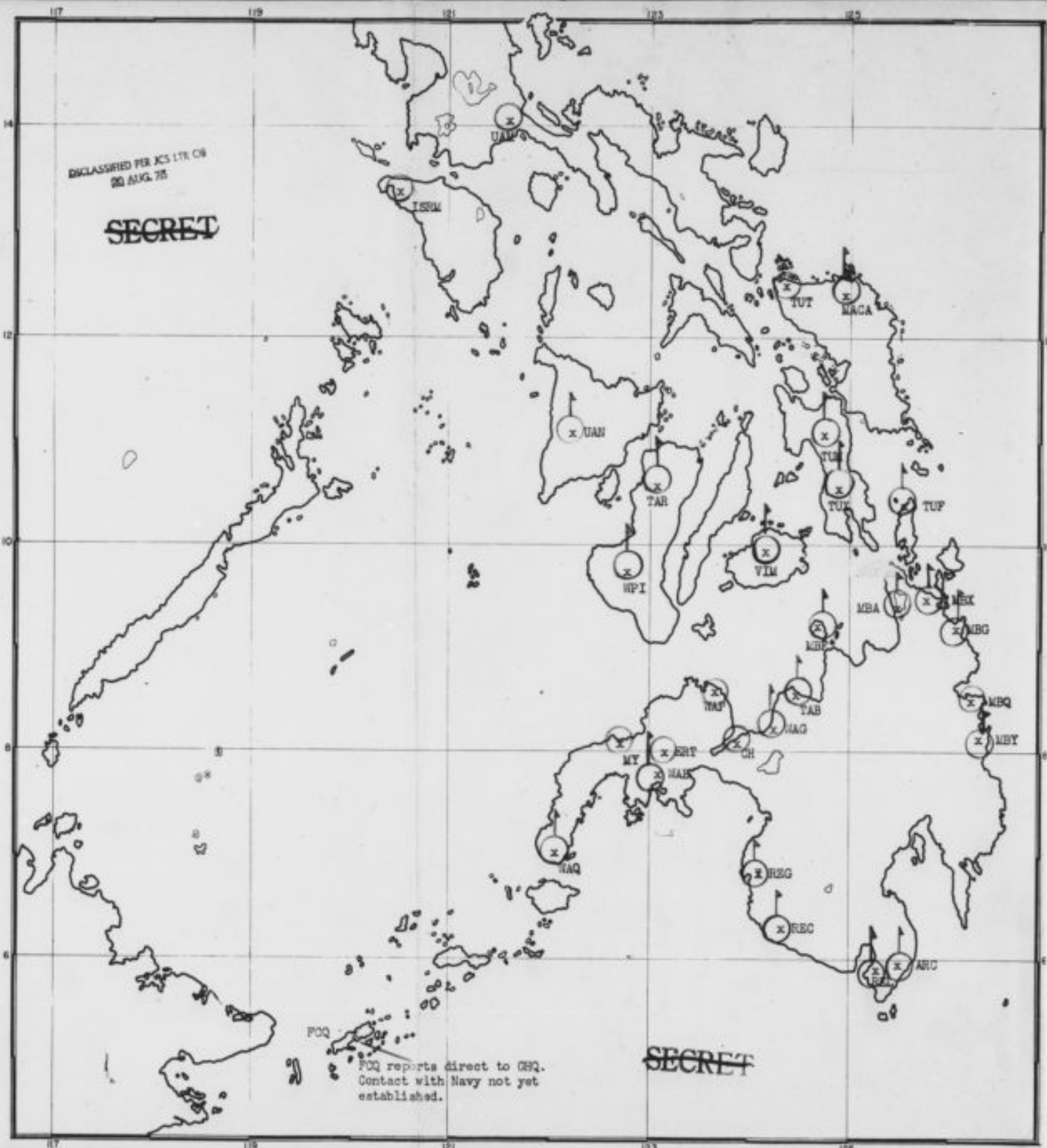


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FOQ reports direct to GHQ
Contact with Navy not yet
established.

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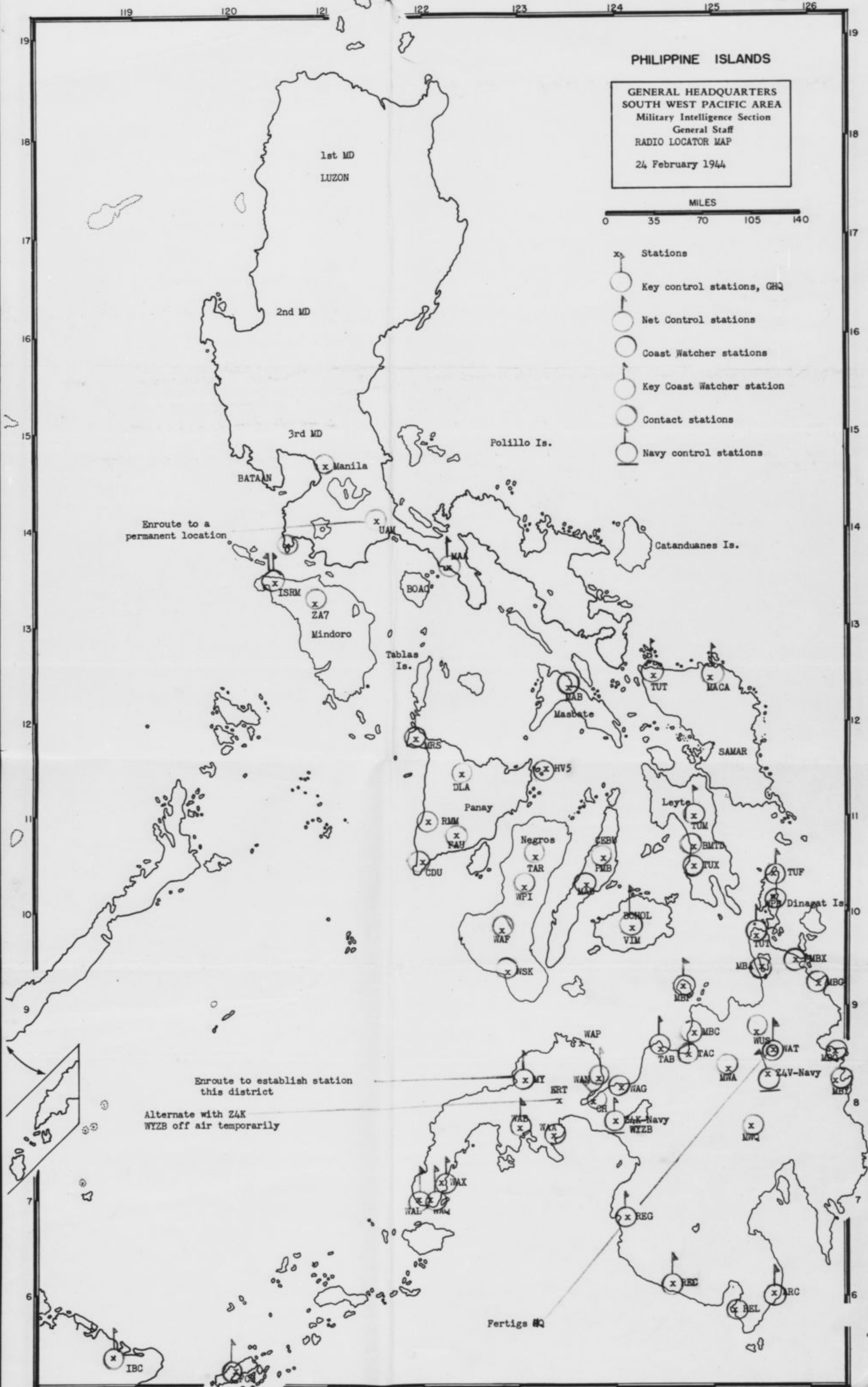


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RADIO LOCATOR MAP
24 February 1944



- x Stations
- Key control stations, GHQ
- Net Control stations
- Coast Watcher stations
- Key Coast Watcher station
- Contact stations
- Navy control stations



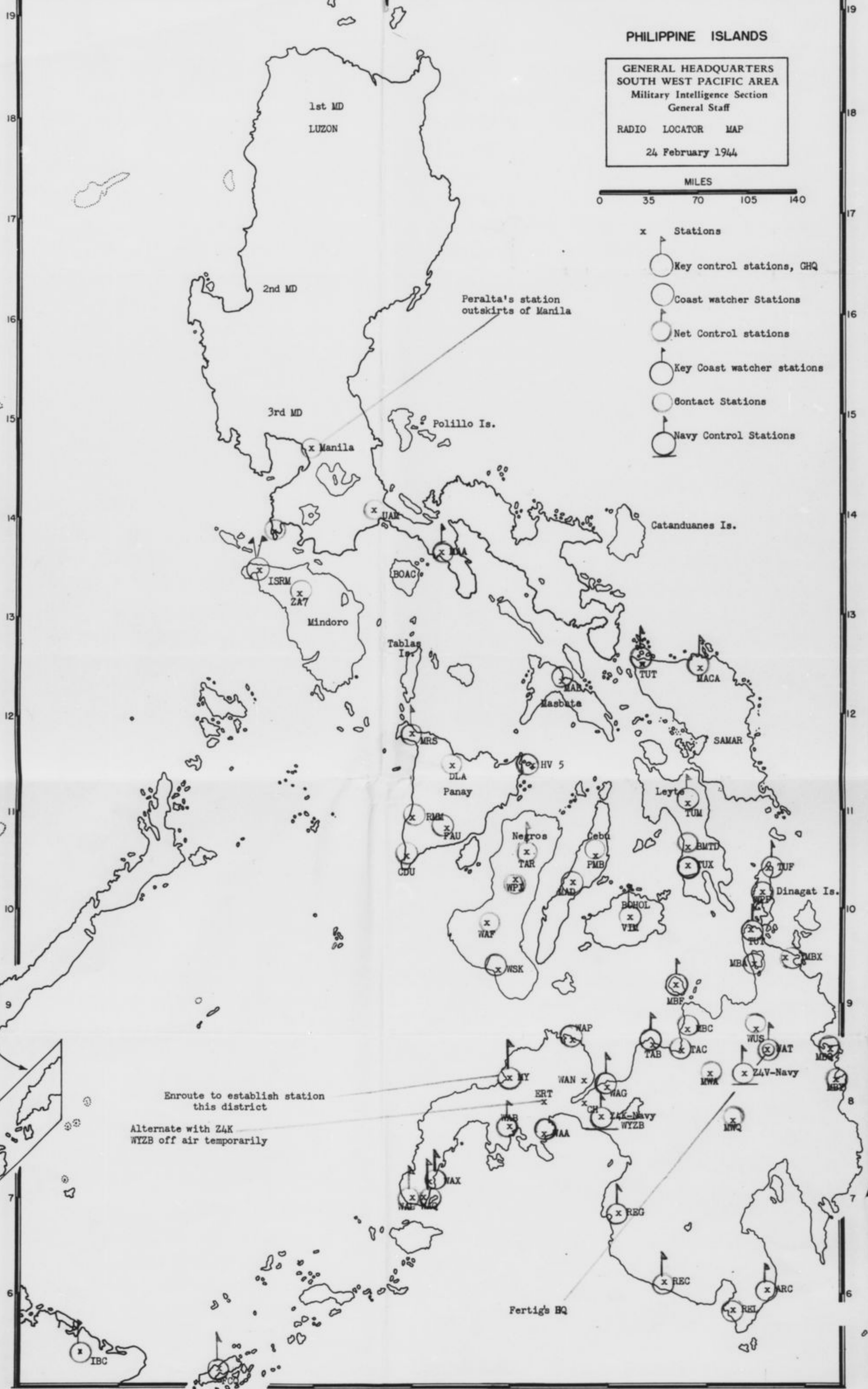
Enroute to a permanent location

Enroute to establish station this district

Alternate with Z4K
WYZB off air temporarily

Fertigs #Q

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Fertig's BQ

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21 February 1944

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In re resumé of Coast watcher activity for week ending
19 February.

See map and analysis attached.

Action taken:

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Action recommended:

None.

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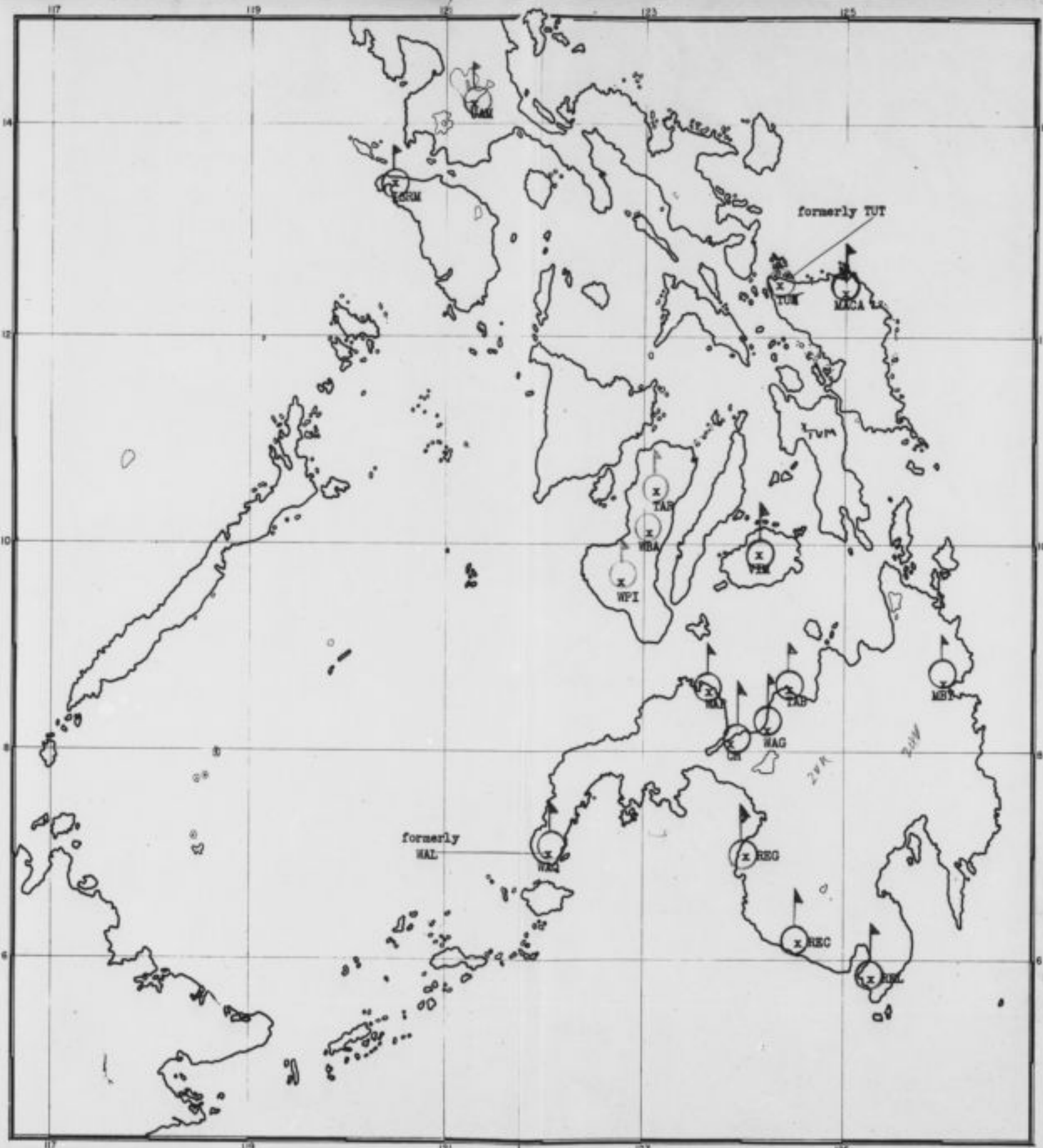


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WEEKLY COAST WATCHER REPORT
PERTIG
NR 712 dated 20th Feb 1944

0 25 50 100 150
MILES



Total flashes received 56

Total relayed to Navy 41

Sightings and stations reporting

CH	1 ✓
ISRM	1 ✓
MACA	14 ✓
MBY	1 ✓
RBC	2 ✓
REG	3 ✓
REL	4 ✓
TAB	1 ✓
VIM	10 ✓
WAG	1 ✓
WAP	1 ✓
WAQ	11 ✓

Contacts and call letters Outside Stations

ISRM	4	VIM	17
MACA	29	UAM	1 ✓
TAR	12	WPI	1

Stations unheard
TUT, MY, WBA

ISRM unheard since Feb 15th. Remedy taken
TUT replaced by TUM who contacts Fertig
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WBA replaced by WPI. No further info relative ISRM

GENERAL OR SPECIAL COMMENT

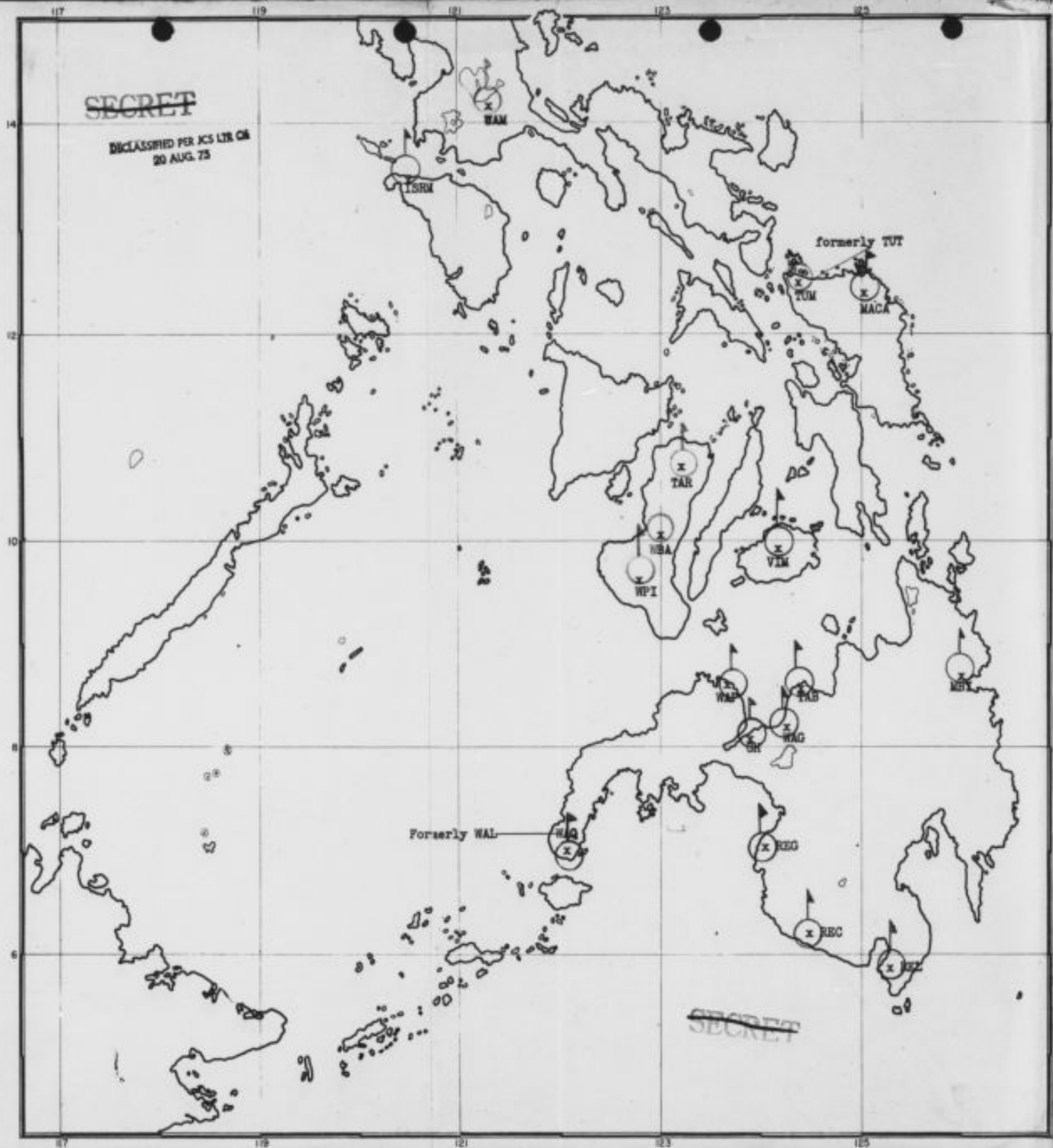
MONPOG Passage very busy: two light cruisers, three heavy cruisers, two battleships, and four destroyers north thru Basilan Strait noon Feb 18: One tanker, two ships type not given, one more possible sunk CALAVITE area Feb 13 and 14: Total targets reported this week - 162

Note Red correcting 712. TUM did not replace TUT
Stations reporting no activity RRC, MBR, MBE, MBO
MBX, REG, TUF, TUX, UAM, WAB (NR 712)

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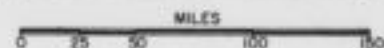


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15 Feb 44

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693 FERTIG

In re weekly report on coast watcher stations.

See map attached for station positions and analysis of activity reported.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

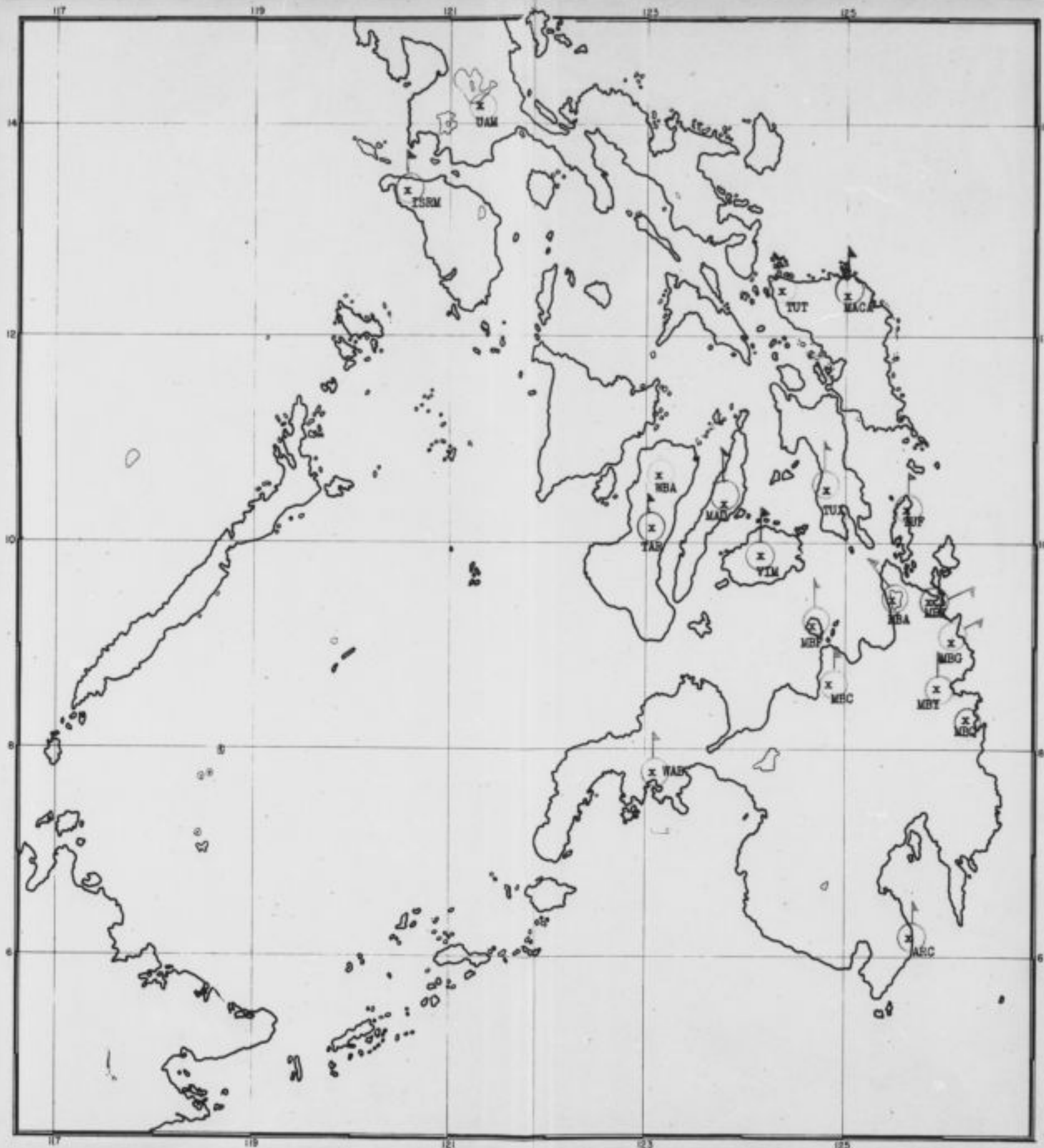
None.

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WEEKLY COAST WATCHER REPORT
PERTIG
MR 693 dated 14th February 1944



Total Flashes received	54
Total relayed to Navy	42
Sightings and Stations reporting	
VIM - 15	
MACA - 23	
ISRM - 16	

- Stations unheard
TUT-MBQ-UAM-MY-NBA
- UAM follows no schedule, calling only when traffic
MY personal call party installing radios
- Stations reporting no Activity
WAB-ARC-TUF-TUX-NBA-MBC-MBF-MBG-MRX-MBY-TAR

General Comment

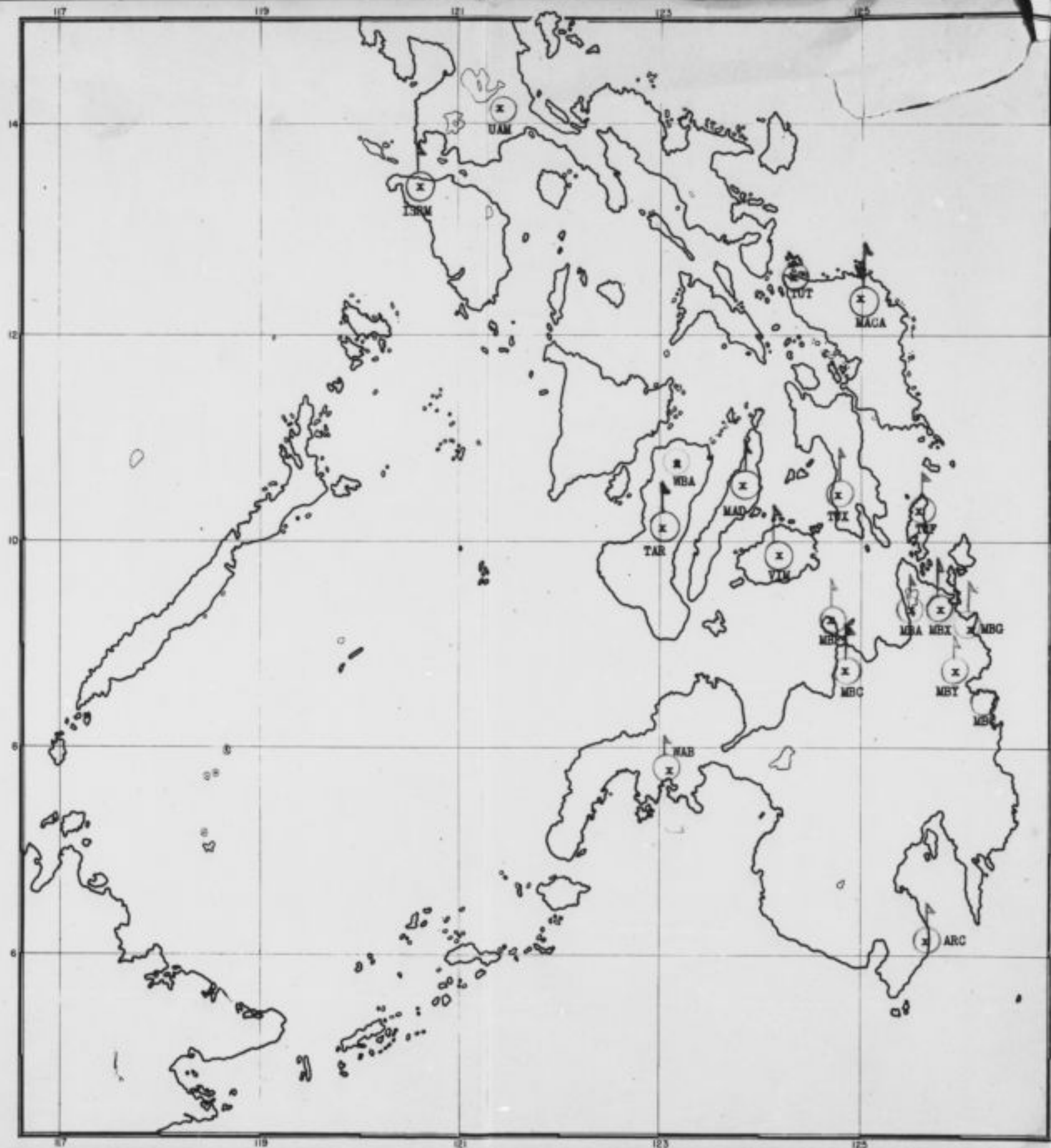
Much shipping both ways via Monpog passage, good hunting.

Ships Sunk

One off Manburao, Mindoro about February 12th
One off Cagayan, Mindanao about February 2nd

Total targets reported this week - 121





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WEEKLY WATCHER REPORT-Perdig
NR 693 dated 14th Feb 1944



- Total flashes received 54
- Total relayed to Navy 42
- Sightings and Stations reporting
 - VIM - 15
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672 FERTIG

In re coast watcher summary for week ending 5 Feb 44.

This report is designed primarily to keep them alert to stations not reporting in the area. Attached map is prepared for convenient reference.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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WEEKLY WATCHER REPORT-Feltig
NR 672 dated 6 February 1944

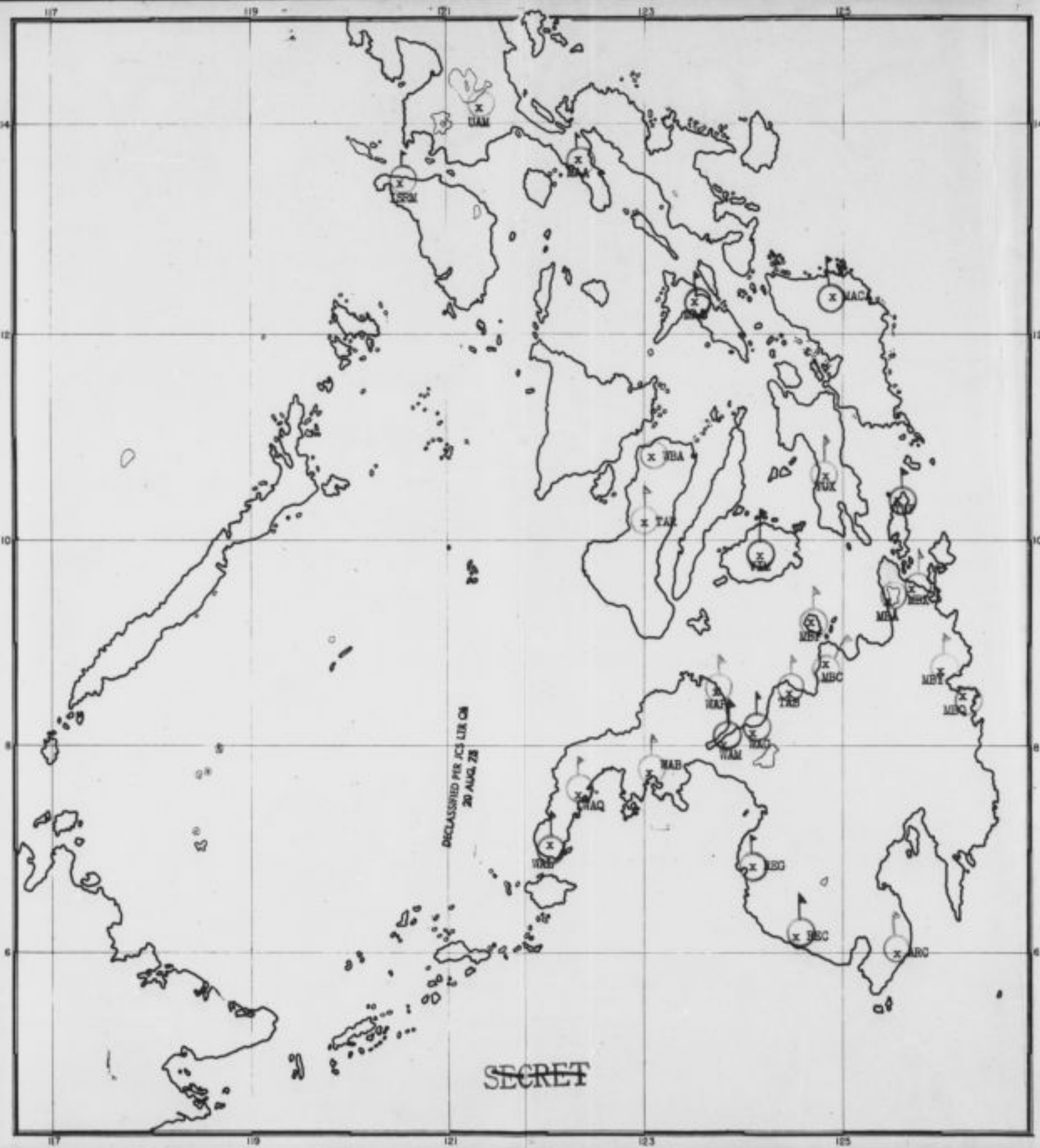
MILES
0 25 50 100 150

Total flashes received	28
Total relayed to Navy	24
Sightings and stations reporting	
ISRM	9
VIM	5
RSC	4
MAA	3
MAB	1
REG	2
WAL	1
WAG	1
MACA	1
TUP	1
Thru NAM	
WAL	1
WAG	1
MACA	1
TUP	1
Total	28

- Stations unheard -
 - *WBA, MBQ, MBA (all off due technical failure)
 - UAM (follows no schedule calling only when traffic)
- Stations reporting No Activity.
 - WAB, WAP, WAG, ARC, TUX, MSC, MBF, MBX, MBY, *TAR, TAB
- * Exact location TAR and WBA not known

General Comment

Large amount of shipping including warships reported seen by ISRM. Regular shipping continues along coast stretch Cotabato Province to Davao Province about seventy five percent with plane escort. Contacted station TUM but unable decode messages. Info next week.



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WEEKLY WATCHER REPORT-Fertig
NR 672 dated 6 February 1944

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MILES

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ISRM	9
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REC	4
MAA	3
MAB	1
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Thru WAM = (WAL	1
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MACA	1
TUF	1
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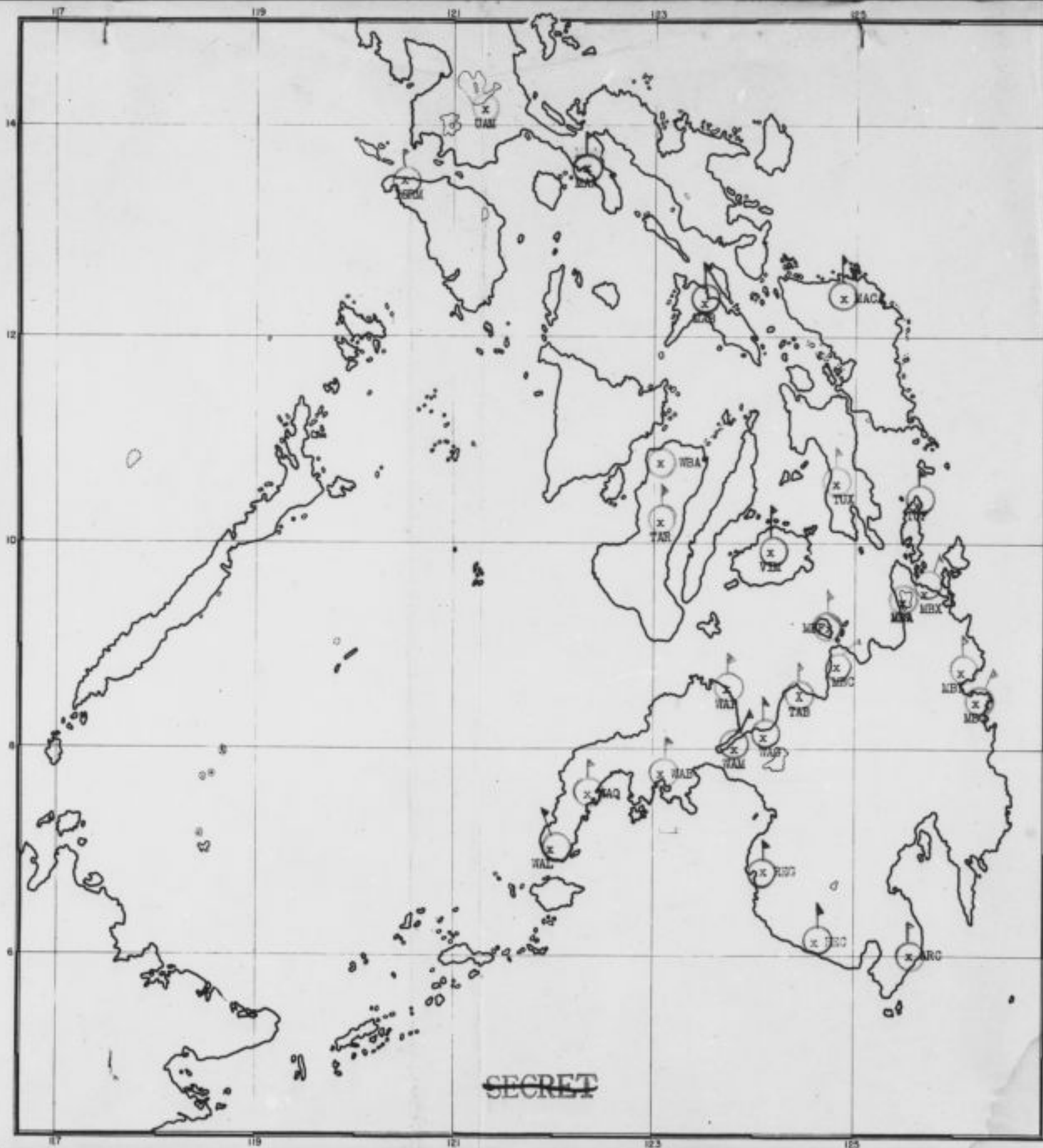
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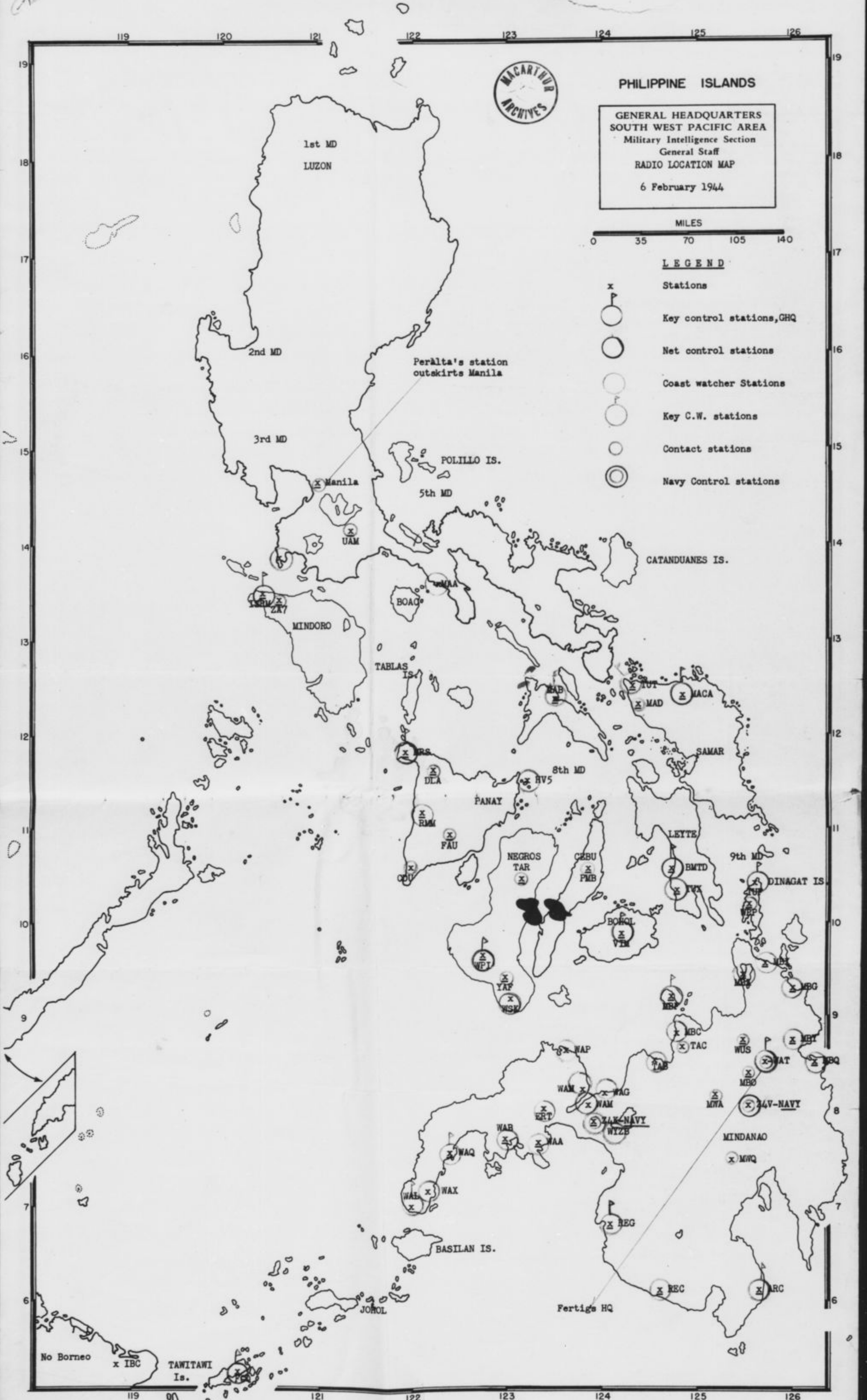
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RADIO LOCATION MAP
6 February 1944

MILES

0 35 70 105 140

LEGEND

- x Stations
- Key control stations, GHQ
- Net control stations
- Coast watcher Stations
- Key C.W. stations
- Contact stations
- Navy Control stations



PHILIPPINES COAST WATCHER NET

Comment by
Lt Comdr Parsons USN

At present the following points are covered by Coast Watcher stations:

1. Surigao Straits: Station is located on east coast of Banson Island and is equipped with 15 watt Telradic and with a small ATR battery set for standby use. Lt Hemmingway is in charge. He has one American assistant, two Filipino operators, and two soldiers in his party.
2. Maglan Straits: A coast watcher station is located on a hill about 5 kilometers east of Zamboanga City. Equipment is the same as indicated in par. 1. In charge of station is Lt. LeCourve with Lt Hall as assistant (WAB station No. 13 in 10th MD)
3. Davao Gulf: The station is located on the western coast of the Gulf. Lt Johnson is in charge. He has one officer and 10 men with him. He has recently been supplied with an additional Telradic and an ATR battery set with which to install a watcher station on the eastern coast of Davao Gulf and one near Sarangani Straits (both of which to work as sub-stations and communicate only with Johnson's station) With the additional equipment for the Davao area, the coverage will be more complete.
4. Cotabato: At Port Lebak is a useful watcher station. In charge is a Filipino Officer and six men. The equipment has recently been replaced with a Telradic and an ATR.
5. Western Zamboanga: Just south of Sindangan on the western bulge of Mindanao a watcher station has recently been placed. Observation of ship movements toward the Mindanao Sea from Borneo should be practicable at this point. An American officer has been placed in charge. He has a Tel radio and also emergency equipment.

Stations 1 to 6 are within the 10th Mil District (Fertig) Mindanao.

6. Mindanao Sea: On the North coast of Camiguin Island to the west of Manbajao. Lt Thomas has installed and operates a watcher station. He has a Telradic and also emergency equipment.
7. San Bernardino Straits: Captain Jurika installed a watcher station at this important site in Nov/42. He placed an American officer in charge and left a party of Filipino operators. His equipment there consists of a Telradic and no standby equipment.

Major Smith is now enroute to the site with a large party and ample equipment to install further radio sets and arrange for a more complete coverage (both sides of the straits.)

8. Verde Island Passage: Apo East Passage: Party headed by Major Phillips recently established coast water control and sub-stations in area of Northern Mindoro, to cover these two strategic points. His equipment consists of an NEI set capable of reaching SWPA and three smaller sets with which to establish a net of stations in the area. He is in regular contact with the USNavy control stations Z4K and Z4V.
9. Sibutu Passage: This entrance to Philippine waters until recently was covered by a party in charge of Capt Hamner. Due to enemy action the coverage has been lost. Plans are now underway to re-establish the coverage. When this is done, coverage of the strategically important Balabes Straits will be included.
10. Plans are underway for sending parties to Bjeader Light, East Coast Luzon, Bondoc Peninsula for the purpose of establishing additional Coast Watcher Stations.

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31 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : PERTIG
NR 641 30 JANUARY

WEEKLY WATCHER REPORT (FROM EVANS) : TOTAL FLASHES RECEIVED - 25; TOTAL
RELAYED TO NAVY - 15; SIGHTINGS AND STATIONS REPORTING - R E C 3, R E G 1, V I M 6,
T A B 1, I S R A M 4; CONTACTS AND CALL LETTERS OUTSIDE STATIONS - V I M 14; MACA 16;
ISRM 17; STATIONS UNHEARD - MAA, MAB, MAD, ALL PART OF MACA NET: UAM OPERATIONS
FOLLOWS NO REGULAR SCHEDULE: WAL, WAG, WBA, ALL HAVE CONTACT THRU WAN: MBQ OFF DUE
BATTERY FAILURE TEMPORARY: TUT STILL OFF. REMEDY TAKEN - STILL TRYING GET INFO ON
TUT VIA MACA AND OTHERS.

STATIONS REPORTING NO ACTIVITY - WAB, WAG, N ARC, TUX, MBA, MBF, MBX, MBY, UAM, MY.
GENERAL OR SPECIAL COMMENT, QUIET WEEK, MOST ACTIVITY FROM VIM ALL MOVING SOUTH AND
FROM ISRM REPORTING TWO BATTLESHIPS AND FEW FREIGHTERS

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