PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
8 May 52

2. LOCATION ATLANTIC OCEAN
31°20'N - 70°00'W

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local 0227 EDT
GMT 08/0727Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION
- ☐ Ground-Visual
- ☐ Ground-Radar
- ☒ Air-Visual
- ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS
- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

6. SOURCE
Airline crew

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
few seconds

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
3

9. COURSE

12. CONCLUSIONS
- ☐ Was Balloon
- ☐ Probably Balloon
- ☐ Possibly Balloon
- ☐ Was Aircraft
- ☐ Probably Aircraft
- ☐ Possibly Aircraft
- ☒ Was Astronomical METEOR
- ☐ Probably Astronomical
- ☐ Possibly Astronomical
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
- ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

White body/orange-blue tail.
One spherical
Two sphere 1 tail.
Straight and level.

11. COMMENTS

Airline (Connie) crew met three objects "flying" in trail.
No air or Naval surface activity in area. No subs.
Appeared to be level with a/c and 10x size of landing light.
Appeared to be near a/c.

Otwoors Meteor

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

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APPENDIX III

Atlantic Ocean - 8 May 1952

I. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

On 8 May, approximately 600 miles off the east coast of the United States, between Jacksonville, Florida, and Savannah, Georgia, the pilot and co-pilot of Pan American Airline Flight 203, enroute to San Juan from New York, sighted three unidentified aerial objects. The objects were on a reciprocal heading of approximately 355° to 360° at the same altitude as the airliner.

The first object resembled a landing light but was much whiter and about ten times as large. It was followed by two slightly smaller orange objects with tapering tails which were fringed with blue. These three round objects were equally spaced and between 1/8 and 1/4 mile off the left wing.

II. STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The sources were interrogated and stated that the objects were completely foreign to them. There was no known missile, naval or air activity in the area at that time.

III. CONCLUSIONS

No conclusions.

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FM HQ USAF WASHDC

TO JEDEN/CGADC ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO

JEDWP/CHIEF ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

FROM AFOIN-1A 40575. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FR FLT SVC OLMSTED AFB PA DATED 8 MAY 1952 DTG 0750Z 52 IS QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION: "CIRVIS 080001 CENTRAL INFO FM PAA 203 AT 0534Z QUOTE JUST BEFORE OSCAR 3 SIGHTED WHAT APPEARED TO BE ROCKET 1/4 MILE OFF LEFT WING ESTIMATED SPEED 6 OR 700 MPH AT 15000 FEET PROCEEDING IN NORTHERLY DIRECTION. OBSERVED ORANGE AND GREEN FLAMES UNQUOTE. THIS MSG RELAYED FM OCEAN CONTROL THRU MAXWELL FLT SVC."

08/1535Z MAY JEPHQ

1952 MAY 8 15 45

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CSAF ITEM 2 [redacted]

TT 121
13 May 52

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TO ATIAA-2C RUPPELT

FROM AFOIN -2B3 FOURNET

REF ALLEGED SIGHTING OF ROKKET BY PAA

FLIGHZ 203 ON 8 MAY 52 WHILE EN ROUTE

NEW YORK TO SAN JUAN. HAVE YOU TAKEN ACTION?

IF SO, WHAT EVALUATIOF CAN YOU MAKE?

REQUEST REPLY SOONESZ.

END CSAF ITEM 2 [redacted]

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ROUTINE

FM CSAF WASHDC
TO CG AIR DEFECOM ENT AFB COLO
INFO CG AMC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB DAYTON OHIO
ATTN: ATIC

[redacted] FROM AFOIN CITE FIVE NINE TWO EIGHT FOUR PD CRYPTOPRECAUTION APPLIES PD PARA FOLLOWING MSG FROM SEVEN OSI DISTRICT PAREN IG PAREN USAF MACDILL AFB FLA IS QUOTED FOR ACTION PD PARA QUOTE REF OUR MESSAGE FIVE ZERO SIX ONE DTD EIGHT MAY FIVE TWO PD PARA CAPTAIN [redacted] WAS PILOT OF PAA RPT PAA FLIGHT NR TWO ZERO THREE WHO SIGHTED ROCKET PD CAPTAIN GALLAGHER CAN BE REACHED AT SCHEDULINT SECTION CMA PAN AMERICAN AIR-WAYS CMA NEW YORK CMA N Y PD PARA NO FURTHER ACTION CONTEMPLATED BY THIS DISTRICT PD UNQUOTE

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RPT PAA FLIGHT NR TWO ZERO THREE PROCEEDING FRO NEW YORK TO SAN JUAN
PD ARRIVED AT SAN JUAN ZERO FIVE ONE ZERO ROGER PD UNQUOTE CHECK
WITH PATRICK AFB REVEALED NO MISSILE TEST THIS DATE PD

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ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

MUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

DUNN, COMMANDING, AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

DATE-TIME GROUP: 1313302 May 52

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

PRECEDENCE FOR: | ACTION: Routine | INFORMATION:

☐ BOOK MESSAGE | ☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS | CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☒ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION | CLASSIFICATION

TO: CAPT CLAYTON C GALLAGHER
SATAUKET LONG ISLAND NEW YORK

TELETYPE

INFO:

FROM: APOIN-ATIAA-5- 63

LT J. K. Rothstein of the Air Technical Intelligence Center will arrive LaGuardia Field Wednesday, 1225 EST.

DONALD L. BOWER, COLONEL, USAF
CHIEF, TECHNICAL ANALYSIS DIVISION

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required): LT J. K. ROTHSTEIN/vs

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE: ROBERT E. KENNEDY, Major, USAF

SYMBOL: ATIAA-3

TELEPHONE: 34261

OFFICIAL TITLE: Air Adjutant General

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1. ITEM NO.	2. [redacted]	3. DATE TRANSMITTED 16 May 1952
4. FROM: (NAME & SYMBOL) Lt E. J. Ruppelt/ATIAA-2c	5. TO: (NAME & SYMBOL) Capt Fournet, AFOIN-2B3	

[redacted] Reference TT-121, 13 May 52, CSAF Item #2. Are attempting to locate pilot of Pan American Flight 203. He is supposed to be in New York on 19 May 1952 and Rothstein will contact him. No evaluation until we get more info. Reference TT-116 dated 6 May 1952, Item 7. Received report same day as your telecon. Sorry for delay in answer, have be away.

ATIAA-2c file

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7. ORIGINATED BY: (NAME & SYMBOL	8. COORDINATED BY: (NAME & SYMBOL)
Lt E. J. Ruppelt, ATIAA-2c	
9. AUTHORIZED BY:	
Air Adjutant General, ATIPA	

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Block 8. Coordinators enter name and symbol.

Block 9. Air Adjutant General enter signature.

Bottom of form. If a classified message, stamp in security classification.

TELECONFERENCE MESSAGE FORM

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1. ITEM NO.	2. SECURITY CLASSIFICATION [redacted]	3. DATE TRANSMITTED 27 May 1952
4. FROM: (NAME & SYMBOL) Lt E. J. Ruppelt, ATIAA-2c	5. TO: (NAME & SYMBOL) Capt Fournet, AFOIN-2B3	

[redacted] Reference Pan American Flight 203 sighting on 8 May 1952 off East coast of U.S. Lt Rothstein talked to crew of aircraft. Pilot and co-pilot were only crew members to see objects. Co-pilot got the best view of the objects. They were on reciprocal heading to aircraft level and very close. There were three objects flying in line. They appeared to be about 10 times the size of an aircraft landing light only much whiter and much brighter. The first object was circular, and the last two objects were circular with orange-blue tails. Sighting happened at 0127 EDST at 31° 20'N 70° 00'W. No known missiles of aircraft were in the area. Request that you contact the Navy to determine whether or not they had any activity in the area and whether or not the Navy had any unidentified submarine reports within reasonable area of sighting. Col Sterling in D/I Study Group knows who in Navy can give you info on submarine sightings. We are checking further on the report.

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CSAF ITEM 1/[redacted]

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TT 134
29 May 52
ATIAA

TO ATIAA-2C RUPPELT

FROM AFOIN-2B3 FOURNET

REF AMC ITEM 4 TT 131 DTD 27 MAY 52

ACTION

ATIAA

NAVY REPORTS NEGATIVE GM ACTIVITY IN AREA AT ANY TIME AND NEGATIVE U/I SUBMARINE SIGHTINGS ANYWHERE AROUND ON 7, 8 AND 9 MAY. ONLY POSSIBILITY REMAINING IS THAT A/C LAUNCHE MISSILES ALTHO THIS APPEARS IMPROBABLE IF PAA CREW SAW NO OTHER A/C IN AREA. IMPOSSIBLE TO CHECK ON A/C ACTIVITY HERE. PLS ADVISE IF WE CAN DO ANYTHING FURTHER FOR YOU.

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END CSAF ITEM 1/[redacted]

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1. Date object was observed 8 MAY 1952 8 May 195

2. Time object was first seen 0227 EDST

3. Place from which you observed the object AIRCRAFT - 31°20'N 70°W

4. How was object observed (naked eye, binoculars, etc.) NAKED EYE

5. What were you doing when the object was first observed? FLYING — CO-PILOT FOR PAA

6. What attracted your attention to the object? LARGE WHITE LIGHT-LIKE A LANDING LIGHT SUDDENLY TURNED ON —

7. Path of object.

a. Direction from which object appeared (degrees or direction) SOUTH

b. Direction in which object disappeared (degrees or direction) NORTH

c. Elevation object appeared (degrees above horizon) WAS ON SAME PLANE AS A/C

d. Elevation object disappeared (degrees above horizon)

e. Shape of flight path of object (straight and level, arched, etc.) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL

f. How did object disappear (grow dimmer, go out suddenly, etc.) WENT OUT OF LINE OF SIGHT

8. Length of time the object was observed FEW SECONDS

9. Description of object.

a. How many objects were seen? THREE (3)

b. Apparent size of object? 1ST OBJ - WHITE LIGHT ABOUT TEN TIMES SIZE OF LANDING LIGHT
2ND & 3RD OBJECTS SLIGHTLY SMALLER

c. Apparent speed of object? ROUGHLY TWICE JET A/C -

d. Apparent altitude of object? 15000' - 1/8 TO 1/4 MILE OFF LEFT WING

e. Shape of object? 1ST ROUND, 2nd & 3rd ROUND AND TAPERED

f. Color of object? 1ST. WHITE & VERY BRIGHT 2ND & 3rd PUFFS OF ORANGE TAPERING WITH SYMMETRICAL BLUE EDGES

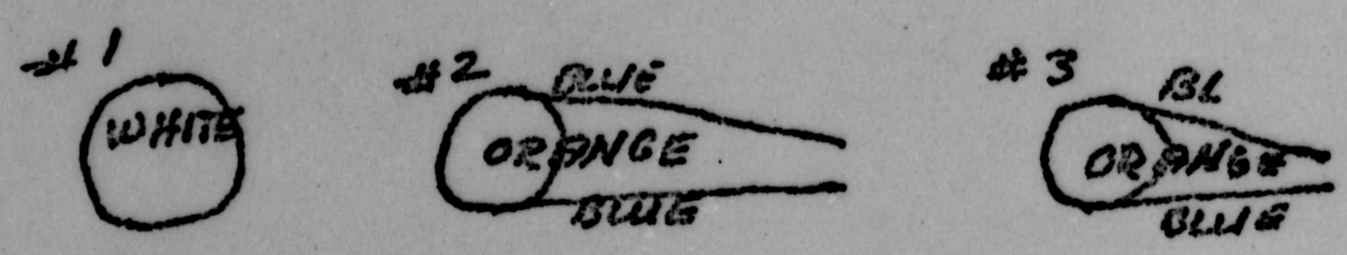
g. Did object perform any maneuvers, if so describe

NONE — STRAIGHT AND LEVEL FLIGHT

h. Did object make any sound, if so describe NO

i. Were any tails or trails seen? YES

j. Draw sketch.



10. What type of day was it (hazy, clear, etc.)? Describe. VERY CLEAR - FULL MOON WITH CLOUD BASE AT 10,000

11. Clouds.

a. Were any clouds in sky at time of observation? AT 10,000'

If so, how much of sky was covered (overcast, scattered, etc.)

ABOVE 10,000 VERY CLEAR

b. Did object pass above, below, or near any clouds? 5000' ABOVE

c. Did object reflect light on the clouds? COULDN'T OBSERVE ANY

12. What is your occupation? CO-PILOT PAN AMERICAN AIRLINE

13. Any details that cannot be fully explained by the above questions.

NO SIMILARITY TO METEOR OR ANY OTHER FAMILIAR OBJECT OR PHENOMENON. FIRST OBJECT MUCH WHITER AND BRIGHTER THAN LANDING LIGHT.

Name [redacted]

Address [redacted]

Date WESTBURY, L.I., NY

HOME TELEPHONE [redacted]

PAN A.A. TELEPHONE [redacted]

STATION	FREQ.	IDENT.	POWER	GCT HOURS OPER.
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NEW YORK	880	WCBS	50000	1045 0605
	1010	WINS	50000	CONTINUOUS
	660	WNBC	50000	1030 0600
	1130	WNEW	10000	CONTINUOUS
	770	WJZ	50000	1045 0600
	710	WOR	50000	CONTINUOUS
PHILADELPHIA	1060	KWY	50000	1100 0600
	1210	WCAU	50000	1100 0500
BALTIMORE	1090	WBAL	50000	1045 0600
	600	WCAO	50000	1100 0630
WASHINGTON	1500	WTOP	50000	1030 0605
RICHMOND	1140	WRVA	50000	1100 0600
NORFOLK	790	WTAR	5000	1100 0600
CHARLESTON	1390	WCSC	5000	1100 0505
MOREHEAD	740	WMBL	1000	0600 LS
SAVANNAH	1290	WTOC	5000	1100 0500
MIAMI	710	WGBS	50000	1130 0600
MAYAGUEZ	990	WPRA	10000	
PONCE	1370	WPAB	5000	
SAN JUAN	680	WAPA	10000	
SAN JUAN		WIAC	5000	

ALTIMETER SETTINGS

USE STATION PRESSURE IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT
TUNA TO BDA ATC BOUNDARY 29.92"
BDA ATC BNDRY TO SJU ATC BNDRY 29.92"
TUNA TO SJU BNDRY DIRECT 29.92"

DF CORRECTIONS FOR CHART

DLO	LAT. 18	LAT. 30	LAT. 40
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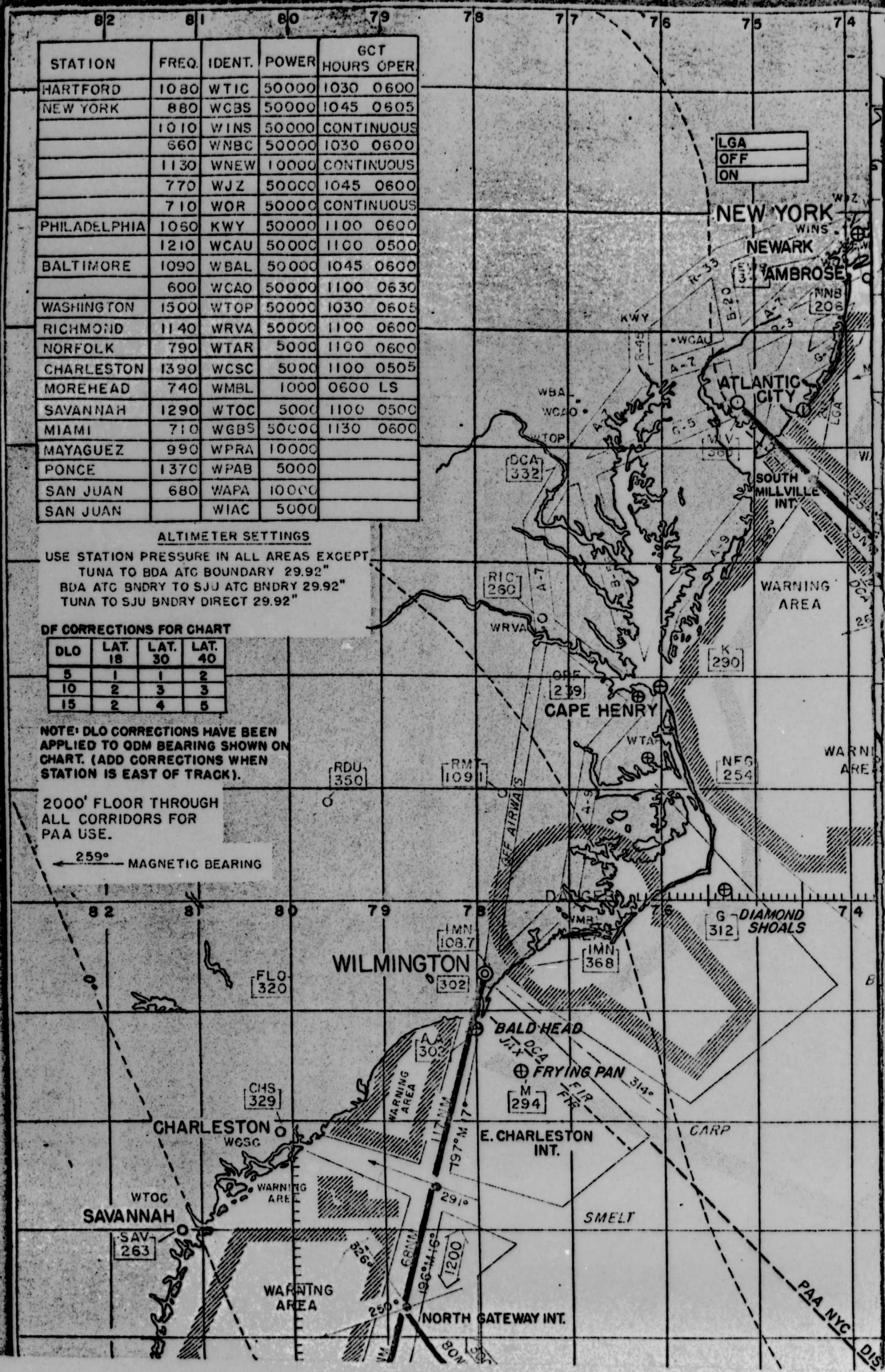
10	2	3	3
15	2	4	5

NOTE: DLO CORRECTIONS HAVE BEEN APPLIED TO ODM BEARING SHOWN ON CHART. (ADD CORRECTIONS WHEN STATION IS EAST OF TRACK).

2000' FLOOR THROUGH ALL CORRIDORS FOR PAA USE.

259° MAGNETIC BEARING



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WARNING AREA
SO. ISLAND
SEAL
TUNA
PAA
BAKER TWO
OBOE ONE
HOWATLANTIC AIR DEFENSE IDENTIFICATION ZONE
ALL NORTHBOUND FLIGHTS WILL CHECK WITH WEATHERSHIP "HOW" AS THEY ARE NOW ACTING FOR INTERCEPTOR COMMAND AND WILL REPORT ANY UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT.
"YH" 326
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NO REPORT UNLESS ROUTED VIA "MIV"
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CAPE HENRY
OBOE TWO
DOG TWO
DOG ONE
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KB 528 AEROP
BDA 391 RNG
BERMUDA
EASY TWO
EASY ONE
FOX TWO
PETER THREE
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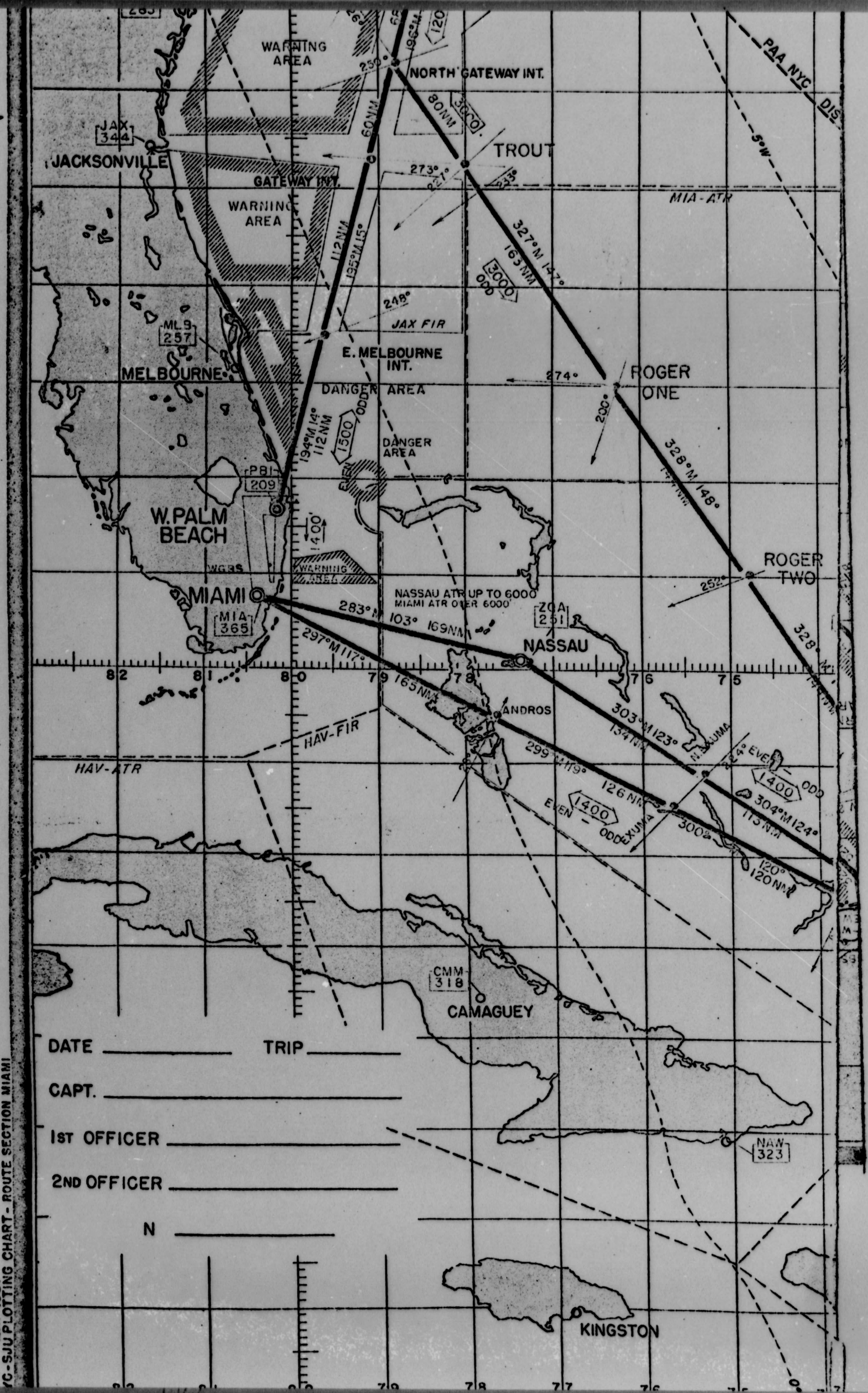

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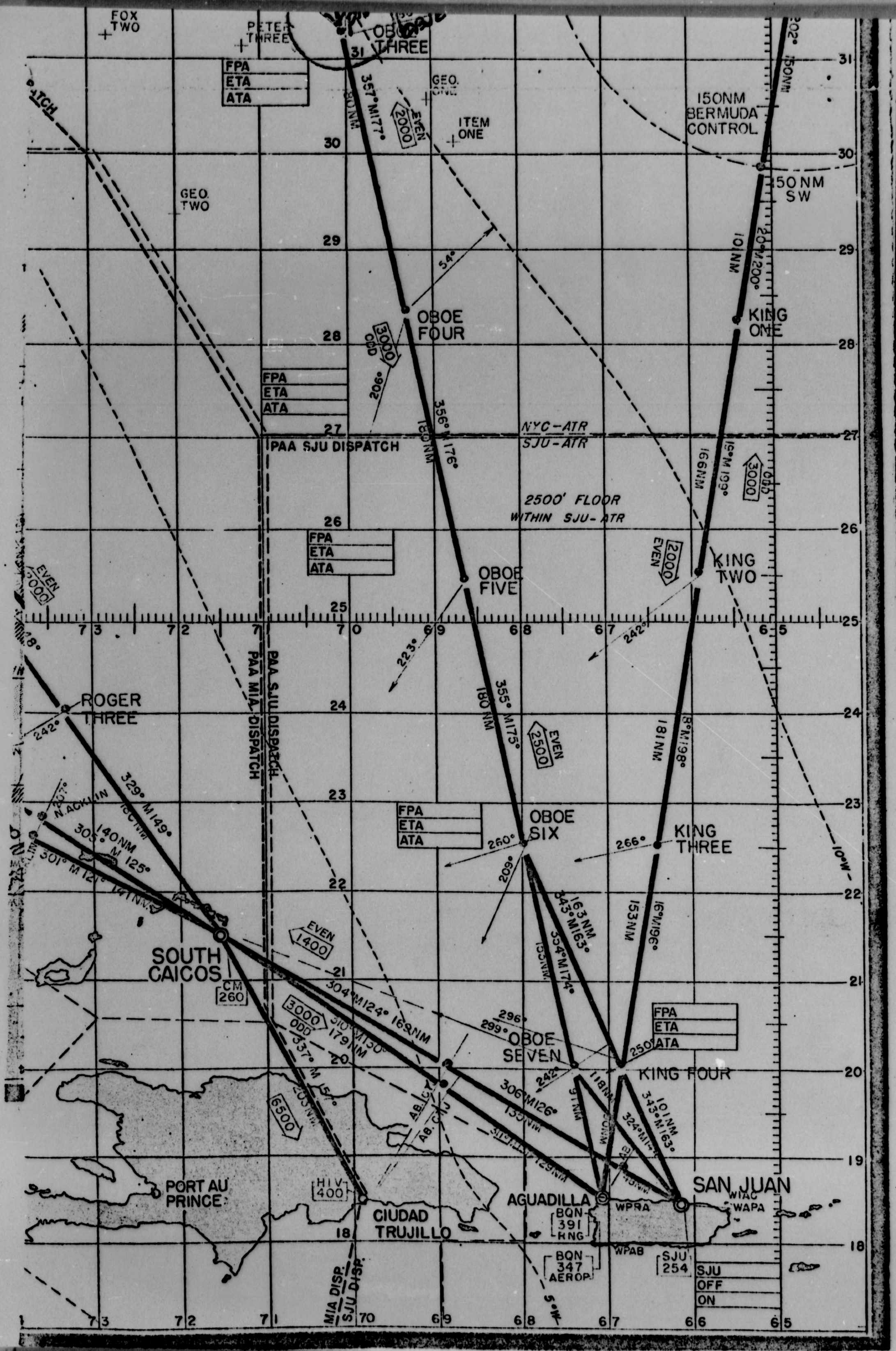
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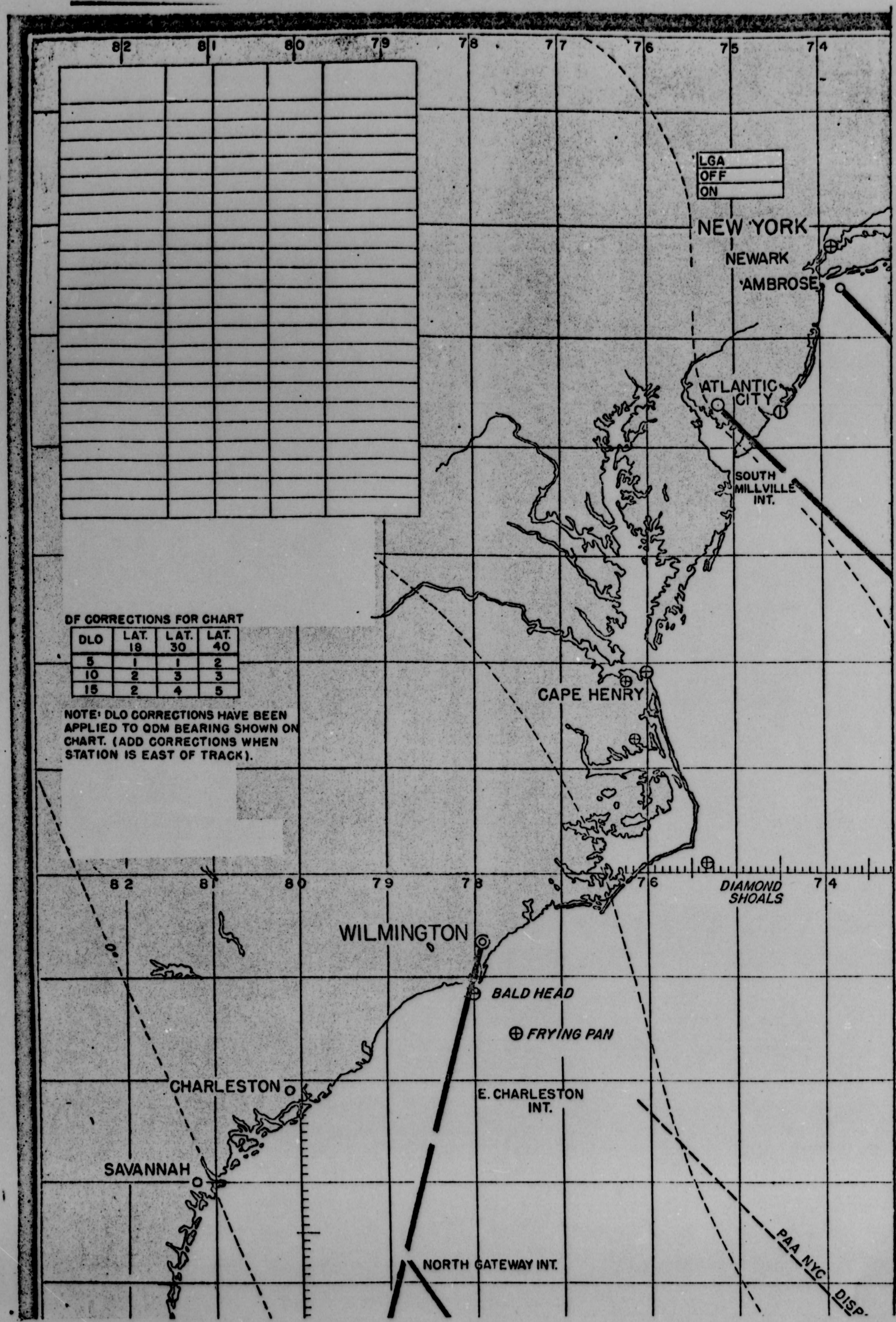

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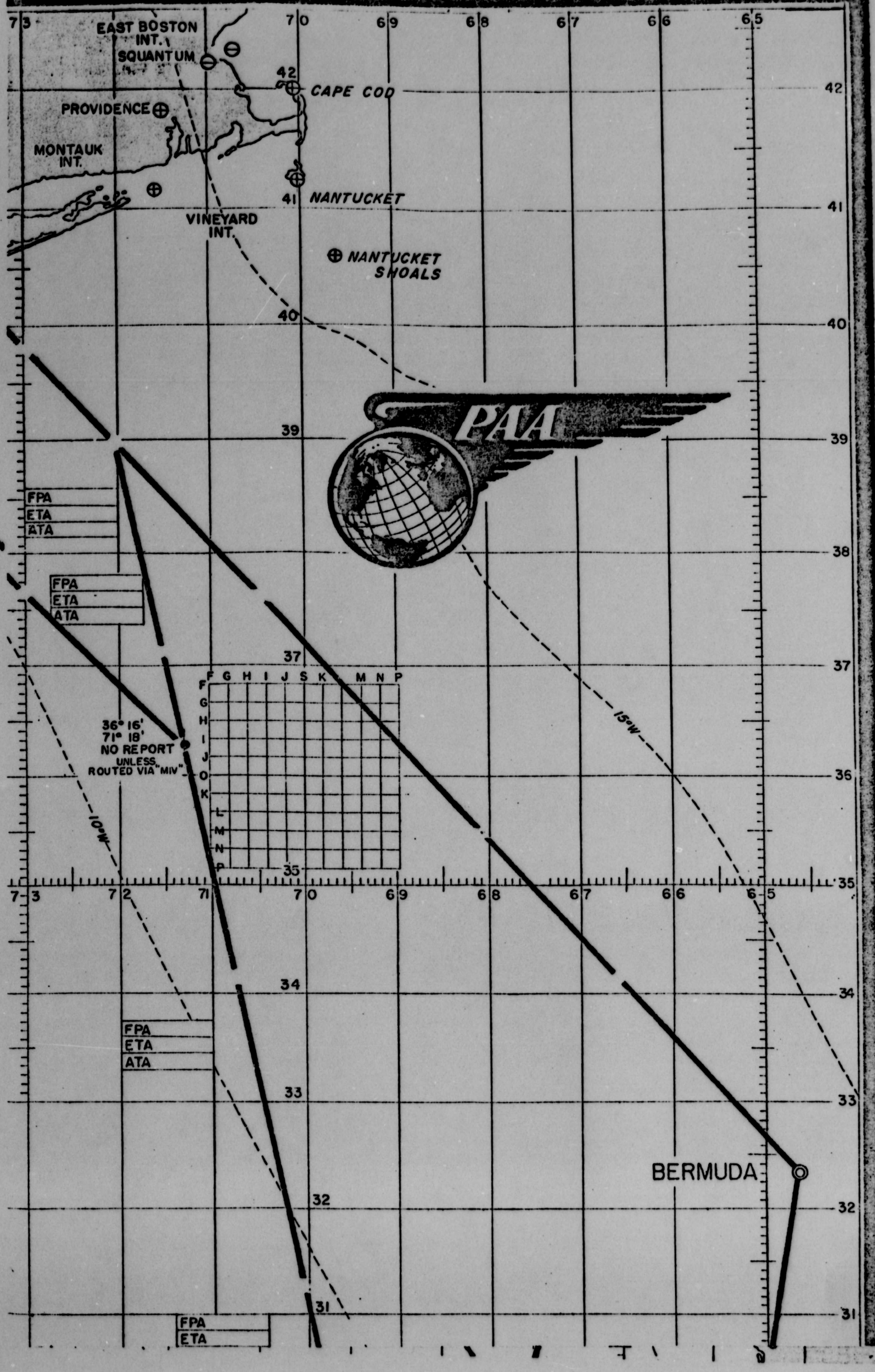

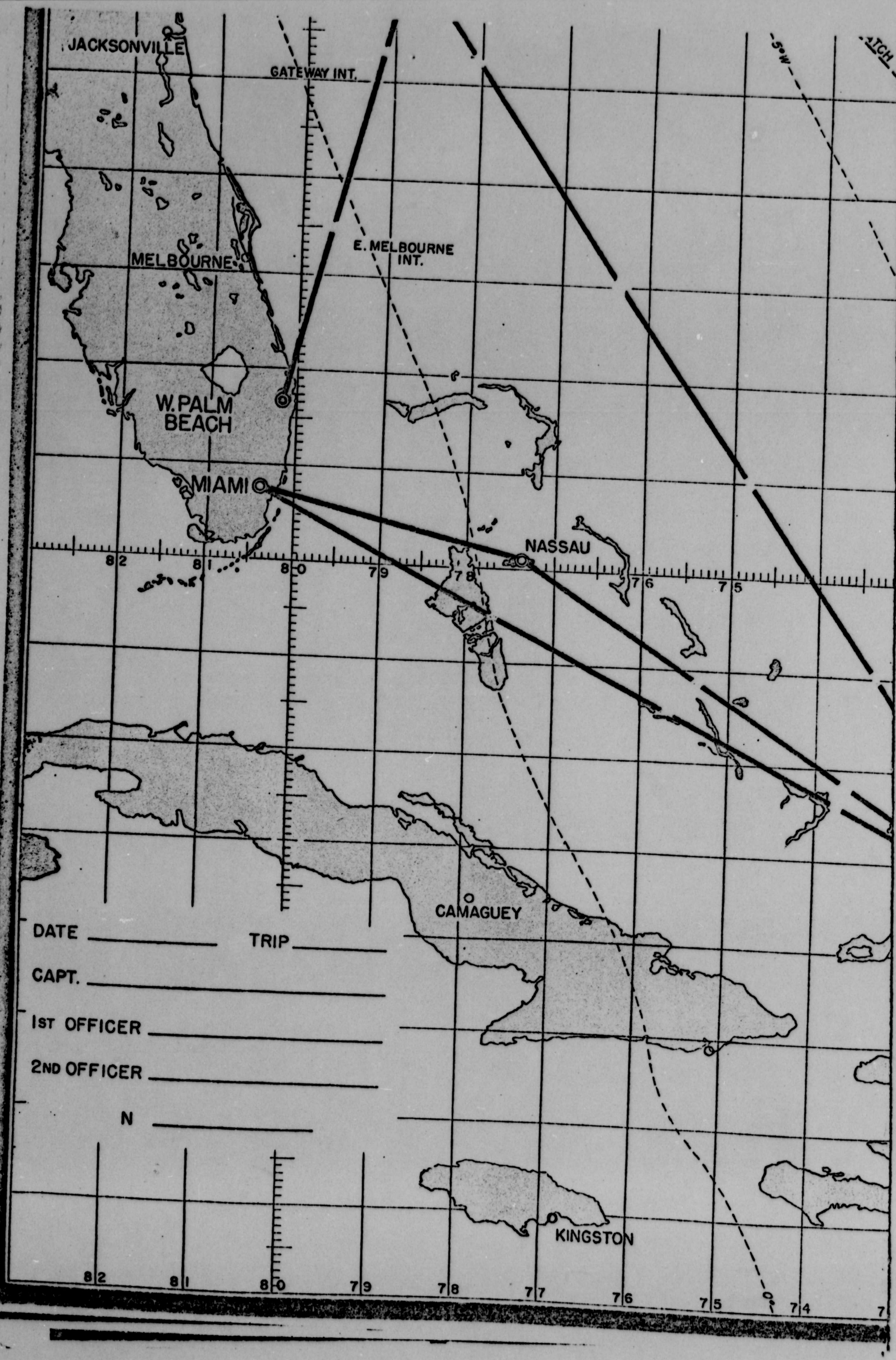
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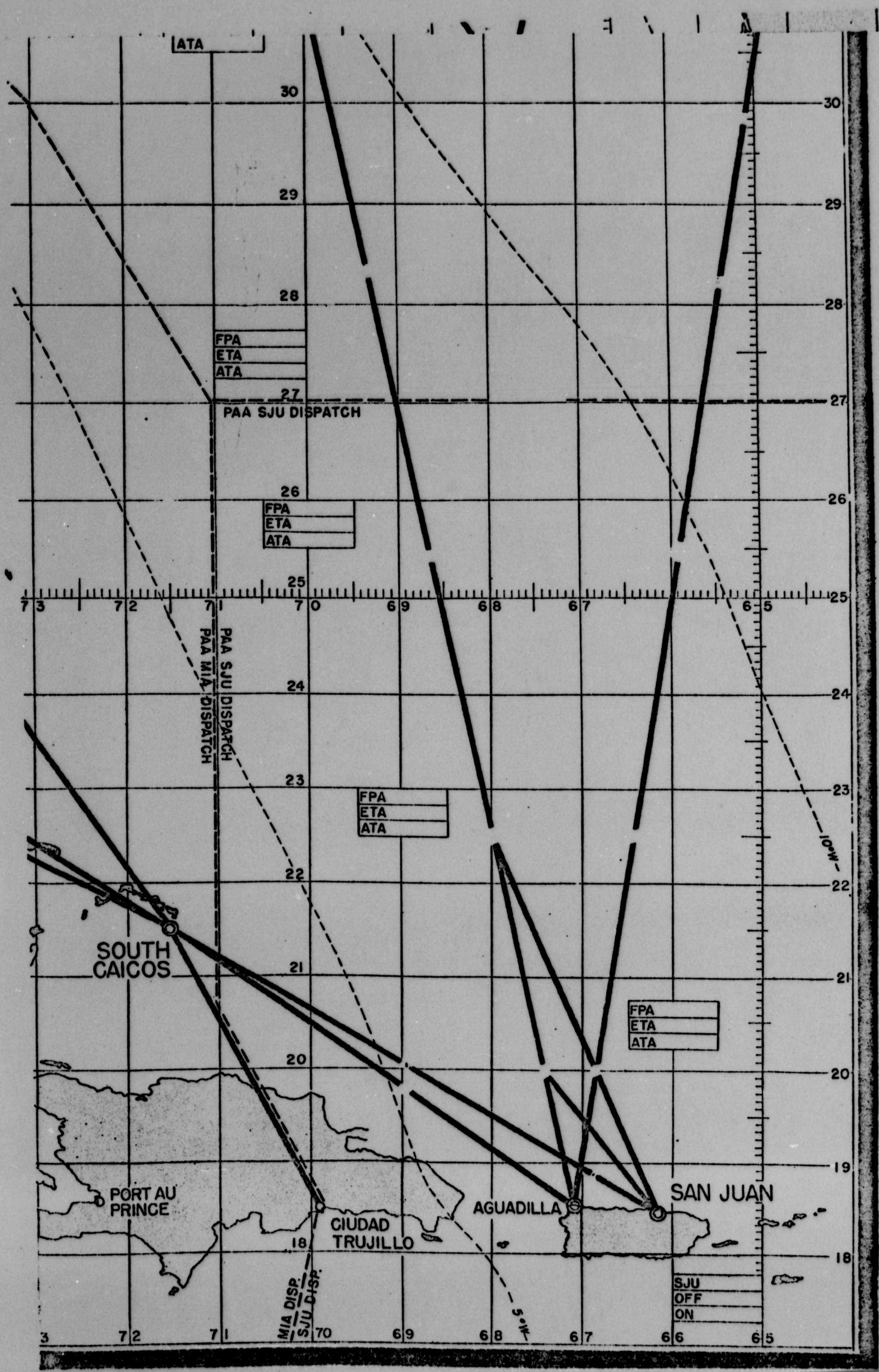
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8 May 1952 31.20N 70.00W (Atlantic)