

24th September 2008

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Commission of Inquiry
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Thank you for your letter dated 16 September 2008 notifying those who made previous submissions, that the closing date for any further submissions is 5pm on Friday 31 October 2008.

Enclosed is a five page hand written letter, from Mr. Derrick Labrooy, [REDACTED] regarding the story of fishermen from Ceylon/Malaysia & Indonesia about events that had transpired after the battle between the Kormoran and the HMAS Sydney on 19 November 1941 and bodies of the crew were said to have been seen in the Indian Ocean, a couple of day's after said battle.

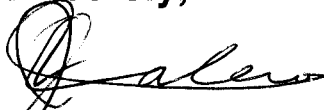
Also enclosed are a couple of letter's from the Sri Lankan Navy Headquarters, Colombo dated 11 December 1987, as well as a letter from HCAC Tissera, VSV, USP, Vice Admiral - Commander of the Navy, regarding Able Seaman (Gunner) D.W.T. Labrooy, dated 4 May 1999.

I had recently received some information about HMAS Sydney "consequent loss of life and related events subsequent thereto."

From former Army Nurse Margaret, who at the time was in WA, and later married Winchcombe who flew for the RAF & RAAF. She now resides in my neighbourhood in [REDACTED]

I am awaiting her written narration, regarding her meeting a HMAS Sydney sailor at the bus stop in Perth, WA, after the Sydney had been sunk. She asked him how come he was there, to which he replied, that he and about 5 other crew members of the Sydney, were sick and in the hospital when the Sydney had left and the battle had taken place.

Sincerely,



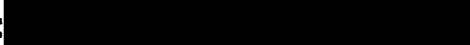
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