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1. At 1215 on 22 May 1954, a vessel believed to be an ex-German M-43-type mine-sweeper was sighted at N 59-45, E 25-00. It was painted grey and had a tripod mast on the after part of the bridge, a slightly raking smokestack much taller than the bridge, and two medium caliber guns, one on the fore-deck and one on the fantail. The stack was fitted with a black smoke hood. With a gentle to moderate easterly wind and a visibility of 15 miles, the vessel steered a southeasterly course at an estimated speed of 16 to 18 knots.
2. At 1320 on 22 May, a naval vessel believed to be of the T-301 Class was sighted proceeding at 10 knots toward Porkkala. It had a long foredeck, a small mast in the middle of the bridge, and a smokestack with a black hood only a little taller than the bridge. It had no visible armament.
3. At 1400 on 22 May, two destroyers were sighted in approximate position N 59-40, E 24-20. They altered course and rates of speed several times, and then proceeded on a southeasterly course at an estimated speed of not less than 25 knots. The two destroyers were single-masted, single-stack vessels, one a little larger than the other.

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