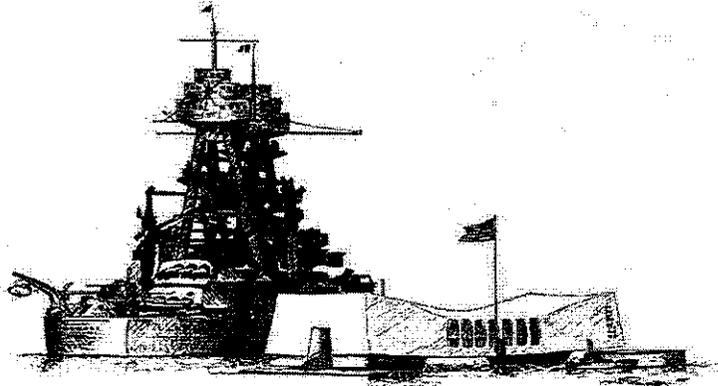


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NAVY RESPONDS TO POSSIBLE MINE

At approximately 1:40 p.m. today, Navy officials were informed by the Honolulu Police Department that a mine-like object washed ashore on Kailua Beach. Within minutes of receiving the report, a Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) team was en route to the scene.

Preliminary indications are that it is a training mine. Navy EOD technicians are working to remove it from the site.

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