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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, UNITED STATES FLEET.

SUBJ: Operation and Engagement Stars to Armed Guard Personnel Serving
Aboard Merchant Ships in Convoy UGS-40, 11 May 1944 -
Recommendation for.

Ref.: (a) Your conf. ltr. FF1/P15, Serial 002677, dated
16 Sept. '44.

1. Reference (a) awards an Operation and Engagement star to personnel serving on board certain escort vessels of Convoy UGS-40 during the action against the enemy on 11 May 1944.
2. The following merchant ships were included in Convoy UGS-40, and the U. S. Naval Armed Guard are considered eligible for award of the Operation and Engagement Star in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 207:

SS ABANG/REZ	4538 G.T.	SS JOHN DICKINSON	7176 G.T.
SS ABRAHAM LINCOLN	7191 G.T.	SS JOHN F. MYERS	7176 G.T.
SS ALBINO PEREZ	7176 G.T.	SS JOHN FISKE	7176 G.T.
SS BEN F. DIXON	7176 G.T.	SS JOHN JAY	7176 G.T.
SS BENJAMIN HUNTINGTON	7176 G.T.	SS JOHN STEVENS	7181 G.T.
SS CARTER BRAXTON	7191 G.T.	SS JOHN W. GRIFFITHS	7176 G.T.
SS CHARLES A. WICKLIFFE	7218 G.T.	SS PETER ZENGER	7176 G.T.
SS CLEMENT CLAY	7176 G.T.	SS SAMUEL MOODY	7176 G.T.
SS COLIN P. KELLY, JR.	7176 G.T.	SS STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS	7176 G.T.
SS CONRAD WEISER	7176 G.T.	SS THOMAS NUTTALL	7176 G.T.
SS FRANCIS M. SMITH	7176 G.T.	SS THOMAS L. CLINGMAN	7176 G.T.
SS GEORGE H. DERN	7176 G.T.	SS THOMAS W. BICKETT	7176 G.T.
SS GRENVILLE M. DODGE	7194 G.T.	SS VAN LEAR BLACK	7176 G.T.
SS JAMES J. PETTIGREW	7177 G.T.	SS WILLIAM B. GILES	7176 G.T.
SS JAMES M. GILLIS	7176 G.T.	SS WILLIAM H. ASPINWALL	7194 G.T.
SS JAMES W. FANNIN	7244 G.T.	SS WILLIAM H. MOODY	7176 G.T.
SS JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY	7176 G.T.	SS WILLIAM MULHOLLAND	7176 G.T.
SS JANET LORD ROPER	7176 G.T.	SS WILLIAM PATTERSON	7191 G.T.
SS JOHN BANVARD	7191 G.T.	SS ZACHERY TAYLOR	7180 G.T.

/s/ V. D. Chapline,
By direction.

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