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SS ABANGAREZ dated Nov. 6, 1943

8 Nov. 1943

From: PD, ND5
To: CNO

Subj: SS ABANGAREZ- Voyage report of.
(From Algiers to Oran to Norfolk, Va.)

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From: Lt(jg) J.A.HILLIER Jr., D-V(S), USNR
Commanding Officer, Armed Guard Crew
S.S.ABANGAREZ

To: The Vice Chief of Naval Operations

Via: The Port Director, Fifth Naval District

Subject: VOYAGE REPORT OF S.S.ABANGAREZ
From Algiers to Oran to Norfolk, Virginia

Reference: (a) General Instructions for Commanding
Officers of Naval Armed Guards on Merchant
Ships, 1943 issue.

1. In accordance with reference (a) the following information is submitted:

- (a) Name of Vessel : S.S.ABANGAREZ
Type of Vessel : Refrigerator
Owner of Vessel : United Fruit Company
Chartered to : War Shipping Board, sub-chartered
to Army Transport
- Gross Tonnage : 4,825
Type of Cargo : Scrap (rubber, metal etc) as ballast
- (b) Port of Departure : Algiers to Oran to
Date of Departure : Oct. 1 to Oran; Oct.18 to Norfolk
Convoy or Singly : Convoy
No. of Ships : 24 to Oran; 51 to
No. of Escorts : 6 to Oran; 9 to Breakoff Pt.
Port of Arrival : Norfolk, Virginia
Date of Arrival : November 6, 1943
Average Speed : 8.23
- (c) No direct contact with enemy. Escort contacted sub and
claimed a probable kill on October 23, 1943
- (d) Weather was not favorable, most of the trip the convoy
fought head winds, and lost considerable time as a result
between October 30 and November 2. Blue stern lights
were shown as ordered by the Commodore. The ship carried
the vice commodore and his staff.
- (e) Loss of time as indicated above, and awaiting orders Algiers
- (f) As far as could be determined.
- (g) Cat walks leading from bridge to turrets #2 and #3 should
be extended to provide more secure watch station.

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- (h) Yes
- (i) None
- (j) None

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