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From: The U.S. Naval Liaison Officer,
Bristol Channel Area, Cardiff, Wales.
To : The Vice Chief of Naval Operations.
Via : The Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.
Subject: Voyage of S.S. ABANGAREZ from New York, N.Y.
to Swansea, Wales - Report of.

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S.S. ABANGAREZ,
5 April 1943

U.S. CONFIDENTIAL—BRITISH SECRET

From: The Commanding Officer, Naval Armed Guard,
S.S. ABANGAREZ.
To : The Vice Chief of Naval Operations.
Via : (1) The U.S. Naval Liaison Officer,
Bristol Channel Area, Cardiff, Wales.
(2) The Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.
Subject: Voyage of S.S. ABANGAREZ from New York, N.Y. to
Swansea, Wales - Report of.
Reference: (a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers on
Merchant Vessels, paragraph 436.

(1) Particulars of ship and voyage, S.S. ABANGAREZ.

- (a) Port of departure - New York City.
- (b) Date of sailing - 18 March 1943.
- (c) Date of arrival - 3 April 1943.
- (d) Port of arrival - Swansea, Wales.
- (e) Owners and agents - United Fruit Co - Chartered to
Army Transport Service (U.S. Ship)
- (f) Tonnage - 4539 gross tons.
- (g) Cargo - Explosives.
- (h) Master - H. Friswald, U.S. Citizen.

(2) The S.S. ABANGAREZ traveling in a convoy of 37 ships and 7 escort vessels arrived in Swansea, South Wales, England after an uneventful voyage with an average speed of 9.3 knots.

(3) The commercial radio operator appeared to carry out war-time radio instructions for merchant vessels and the masters and officers of the ship did carry out "Instructions for Naval Transportation and U.S. Merchant Vessels in Time of War. I consider them capable, efficient and cooperative in every respect.

(4) Throughout the voyage, cordial relations existed between the Armed Guard Detachment and ship's Crew and Officers.

Charles Wolin
Charles Wolin,
Lieutenant, USNR.