In reply address not the signer of this letter, but Commandant Eighth Naval District, Federal Building, New Orleans, La.



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28 April 1944

End-1 (Lt. (jg) Carl S. White's rpt. dtd. 12 April 1944.)

To: Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D. C.

Subj: Report of voyage of S. S. ABBOT L. MILLS.

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1. Forwarded.

- 2. The request for the forward gun tub to be cut out, as shown in paragraph (g), could not be completed in this port due to lack of time. This request has been forwarded to Galveston, Texas by the Industrial Manager where this work will be completed.
- 3. Since this ship has the correct number of ready service boxes allowed for a ship of this type, the additional ready service boxes requested in paragraph (g) will not be provided.

Acting Port Director, N.T.S.

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ARMED GUARD UNIT S.S. ABBOT L. MILLS ARMED GUARD CENTER (PACIFIC) Treasure Island San Francisco, California

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April 12, 1944

From:

Commanding Officer, Armed Guard Unit, S.S. Abbot L. Mills Gross Tons 7176 (c/o) Armed Guard Center (Bacific)

To:

Vice Chief of Naval Operations.

Via:

Port Director, New Orkans, La

Subject:

Report of Voyage, S.S. Abbot L. Mills From: Puna, Ecquador To: Balboa, Panama

Reference:

(a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers of Naval Armed Guards on Merch. Ships Par. 4301.

Enclosure:

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(A)

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

(a) Type of vessel-Diberty Type of Cargo -- Copper bars and ore nitrates, and balsm wood. Owner of vessel -- War Shipping Administration. Chartered to -- Coastwise Pacific Far East.

(b) Port of departure -- Puna, Ecquador March, 27, 1944. Sailed-Independently. Average speed. 11.78 Port of Arrival -- Balboa, Panama. March 30, 1944.

(c) No contact with the enemy.

(d) Running light were turned on dim. No zig-zagging.

(e) No delay in port. Canal service good.

(f) Radio operator carried out war instructions for

merchant vessels. (g) Rorward gun tub needs to be cut out sor ready service boxes may be reached more eas/ily. Extra ready ser/vice boxes needed at all stations.

(h) Master and officers for the ship carried out "Wartime Instructions for United States Merchant Vessels."

(i) All aircraft approached the ship properly.

This was not forwarded from Balboa, Panama.

Carl S. White Lt. (jg), D-V(S), USNR.