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To: GNO
Via: Port Director, NTS, New Orleans, Louisiana.
Subj: Report of voyage, SS Abel Stearns
From New York, New York, To New Orleans, Louisiana
Ref: (a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers
of Naval Armed Guards on Merchant Ships,
paragraph 4301.

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

- (a) Type of vessel Liberty. Type of Cargo, None
Owner of Vessel, W S A
Chartered to A.H. Bull
Gross Tons, 7176
- (b) Port of Departure, New York City, 20, Oct. 1944, 1200
Convoyed or independent-- Independent
Speed (Average)-- 12.8 knots
No. Ships in convoy-- None
No. of escort vessels or aircraft-- None
Port of Arrival-- New Orleans, La., 26, Oct, 1944, 2245
- (c) Vessel had no contact with enemy.
- (d) Voyage was routine throughout.
- (e) The Merchant Radio Operator appeared to carry out War Time Radio Instructions particularly in regard to keeping intercepted messages confidential.
- (f) The Master and Officers of the ship were diligent about carrying out "War Time Instructions for Merchant Ships".

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