

ARMED GUARD UNIT

SS Aberdeen Victory

Armed Guard Center (Pacific)
Treasure Island
San Francisco, California

DATE 8 Febr. 1945

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From: The Commanding Officer, Armed Guard Unit,
SS Aberdeen Victory Gross Tons 7608.45
To: The Chief of Naval Operations.
Via: Port Director 12th Naval District.
Subject: Report of Voyage San Francisco, Calif. to Garapan, Saipan & Guam.
Reference: (a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers of Naval
Armed Guards on Merchant Ships, Par. 4301.
Enclosure: (A)

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

- (a) Type of vessel Victory Cargo(type) High explosives
Owner of vessel W.S.A.
Chartered to Waterman SS Co.
Master's Name H. M. Jones
- (b) Port of departure San Francisco, Calif. 4 Nov. 1944
Convoyed or Independent Ind. to Eniwetok DATE
Speed (Aver.) 17.5
No. of ships in convoy 5-Eniwetok to Saipan.
No. of escort vessels or aircraft 3 PC escorts.
Port of arrival Garapan, Saipan 23 Nov. 1944
DATE
- (c) No contacts or action with enemy.
- (d) No incidents out of the routine. Speed: 17.5 k. No lights shown.
Vessel zigzagged in accordance with orders.
- (e) We were not delayed enroute. After arrival we awaited orders for 3 weeks and 2 days.
- (f) Commercial radio operators carried out wartime orders. Messages were kept confidential.
- (g) No defects or deficiencies in battery. None in equipment, personnel, or operation.
- (h) Master and officers did observe "Wartime Instructions for Merchant Vessels".
- (i) No recommendations.
- (j) No report on improper procedure of friendly aircraft.
- (k) Training conducted at sea: Sub and Aircraft Tactics; Aircraft I.D.; Watch Standing and Sentry Duties; Abandon Ship Procedure; First Aid; Classes in Security; Small Arms Care and Handling; Venereal Diseases; Swimming; Spotting Doctrines; Care and Handling of Ammo;

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Fuze Setting; PTS Drills; Tracer Control and AA Fire Control; and Merchant Marine Relationship.

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OFFICE OF COMMANDANT
TWELFTH NAVAL DISTRICT

San Francisco, 2, Calif.

1st ENDORSEMENT. 16 FEB 1945

From: Port Director, NTS. 12 ND.
To: Chief of Naval Operations.

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W. F. Lafrenz
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Asst. Port Director.