Ist, Andorsement, to SS ABIEL FOSTER Voyage Report, (undated) F.B. MAVAL POST OFFICE, 361 Reyel Idver Building, Idverpool, England.

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From:

Ens. H.L.Cottrell, In command of Armed Guard Unit

aboard S.S. Abiel Foster

To:

Vice Chief of Naval Operations

Via:

Port Director, Naval Transport Service, City of

Liverpool, England

Subject:

Voyage, report of.

Reference:

Gen. Inst. for C.O. Naval Armed Guard on Merchant Ships,

1942, Chap. 4, Sec. 4.

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

A. Name and type of wessel: SS Abiel Foster, Cargo liberty. Owner of vessel: W.S.A. Gross tons: 7176 Cargo: General Charter: Oper. by Matson Steamship Co.

B. Port of Departure: Boston, Mass.

Time and date of departure: September, 11 (0700)
Sailed in convoy: x Alone: No. of ships in convoy: 32 to Hllifax, N.S.

No. and types of vessels: several corvettes and destroyers 79 to Liverpool, Eng.

No. and types of escort aircraft: none
Port of arrival: Liverpool, Eng.

Time and date of arr: Sept., 30 (1500)

C. Detailed account of contact with enemy:

none

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D. Speed of vessels: 10 Kts. Lights shown: No Fog Signals: Regular convoy whistle. Zig Zag: Course as indicated by commodore. Incidents out of routine:

none

E. Copy of written or radio orders received by vessels from foreign government officials attached.

none

- F. Did commercial radio operator appear to follow wartime radio instructions / Yes.
- G. Defects or deficiencies in location or arrangement of battery and of armed guard quarters, or in e-ulpment as regards material, personnel, or operation.

none

H. Did master and officers of ship carry out Instructions for Naval Transportation and U.S. Merchant Vessels in Time of War?

I. Recommendations for Improved Armed Guard Services:

none

J. Report of improper procedure on part of friendly aircraft approaching a merchant vessel.

none

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