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From: Chief of Naval Operations.
To : Vice Admiral A. P. Fairfield, Coordinator of
Ship Defense Installations, Maritime Commission.
SUBJ: SS ABIGAIL ADAMS, 7176 Gross Tons, EC2-S-C1 Type -
Overheating of After Magazine.

1. The Armed Guard officer of the SS ABIGAIL ADAMS reports that the vibration of the ship loosens the joints of a steam line inside the cofferdam surrounding the after magazine causing the cofferdam to fill with hot water, raising the magazine temperature to above 100 degrees F.
2. It is requested that the steam piping be put into good condition, properly covered, and that drains be installed in the cofferdam space to prevent recurrence of flooding of the cofferdam.

R. M. Hinckley,
By direction

V. D. CHAPLINE
By direction

CC:

Port Director San Francisco.

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