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1st. Endorsement to S.S. ABIQUA,  
Voyage Report of 12 March, 1944.

U. S. NAVAL PORT OFFICE,  
361 Royal Liver Building,  
Liverpool, England.

16 March, 1944. 10172  
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From: U. S. Naval Port Officer, Liverpool, England.  
To : Chief of Naval Operations.  
Via : Commander, U. S. Naval Forces in Europe.

Subject: Report of Voyage, S.S. ABIQUA.

1. Forwarded.
2. Referring to paragraph (G) of basic report, DEMS are taking corrective action as regards ammunition compartment; other items cannot be corrected in this port.

*H. C. Garrison*  
H. C. GARRISON.

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To : Chief of Naval Operations.

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TO: LIEUT. (JG) CHARLES PAHUD  
Commanding Officer, Naval Armed Guard  
(c/o Armed Guard Center NEW ORLEANS, LA.)

FROM: SS ABIQUA Gross Tons 10,172

The Vice Chief of Naval Operations.

The Port Director, LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

Subject: Report of Voyage, ~~XX~~

S.S. ABIQUA

From NEW YORK CITY To LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

Reference: (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 TANKER Type of Cargo 80 OCTANE GAS.  
 Owner of vessel WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION  
 Chartered to CITIES SERVICE COMPANY
- (B) PORT OF DEPARTURE--NEW YORK DATE MAR. 1, '44.  
 CONVOY OR SINGLE--CONVOY NO. OF SHIPS--30  
 NO. OF ESCORT VESSELS--6 SPEED OF CONVOY--14K.  
 DATE OF ARRIVAL--MAR. 12, '44. PORT OF ARRIVAL--LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND.
- (C) NO CONTACTS NOR ENEMY ACTION.
- (D) ZIG-ZAG INSTRUCTIONS WERE FOLLOWED AS PER INSTR.
- (E) NO DELAYS IN PORT.
- (F) THE COMMERCIAL OPERATOR CARRIED OUT ORDERS.
- (G) NEED STOPS FOR INBOARD 20'S. VENTILATING AND HEATING FACILITIES FOR AFT GUN CREW QUARTERS MUST BE IMPROVED UPON. AMMUNITION COMPARTMENT, PORT SIDE, FORWARD MAG. IS LOOSE. THE VALVE ARM EXTENSION ON STARBOARD SIDE, FWD. MAG., IS TOO LONG, AND CONTACTS CEILING. WATER GETS INTO FORWARD MAGAZINE. CUT OUT PIECE OF THE PILL BOX TOP OF LADDER AT 3"/50 GUN SO THAT CREW CAN GO DIRECTLY INTO POSITIONS WITHOUT CLIMBING OVER AND EXPOSING THEMSELVES TO FIRE.
- (H) ALL WARTIME INSTRUCTIONS OBEYED BY MERCH. PERSONNEL.
- (I) I SUGGEST CONSTANT SUPERVISION OF FOOD AS TO THE QUALITY AND PREPARATION OF SAME.
- (J) THERE WAS NO IMPROPER PROCEDURE ON THE PART OF AIRCRAFT.

SIGNED: Lt. (j.g.) C.G. Pahud