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PORT OFFICE, BRISTOL CHANNEL AREA

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18 February 1944

## FIRST ENDORSEMENT

From: The U.S. Naval Port Officer,  
Bristol Channel Area, Cardiff, Wales. **10172**  
To : The Chief of Naval Operations **GT**  
Via : The Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.  
Subject: Report of voyage, S.S. ABIQUA

1. Forwarded.

2. With reference to paragraph (G), the Armed Guard Officer has been directed to re-submit these recommendations in his homeward bound voyage report, in order that they will be brought to the attention of the Port Director upon the ship's arrival in the Continental United States.

*Enoch D. Chase*  
ENOCH D. CHASE  
By direction

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From: Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.  
To : Chief of Naval Operations.

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ROUTE TO: 29 FEB 1944

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*4355*

*W. W. Cantrell*  
W. W. CANTRELL,  
By direction.

- (H) MASTER AND OFFICERS CARRIED OUT WAR MERCH. TEST.
- (I) NO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE SERVICE.
- (J) FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT APPROACHED PROPERLY.

*A. (j.g.) C. g.*

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Date FEB. 16, 1944

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

XXX.)  
S.S.) ABIQUA Gross Tonnage 10,172

To: The ~~USA~~ Chief of Naval Operations.

Via: (1) USN PORT OFFICER, BRISTOL CHANNEL SeARea.  
(2) THE COMMANDER, USN FORCES IN EUROPE  
at

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

From NEW YORK CITY To AVONMOUTH, ENGLAND

Reference: (a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers of  
Naval Armed Guards on Merchant Ships, paragraph 4301.

Enclosure: (A)

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

(a) Type of Vessel TANBER Type of Cargo MOTOR FUEL  
Owner of Vessel WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION  
Chartered to CITIES SERVICE COMPANY

(b) Port of Departure NEW YORK, N.Y. Date FEB. 1, '44  
Convoyed or independent CONVOYED  
Speed (Average) 14 KNOTS  
No. of Ships in Convoy 23  
No. of Escort Vessels or Aircraft 6 ESCORTS

Port of Arrival AVONMOUTH, ENG. Date FEB. 16, '44

- (C) THERE WERE NO DIRECT CONTACTS NOR ENEMY ACTION.  
(D) NO INCIDENTS OUT OF ROUTINE. VESSEL ZIG-ZAGGED O.K.  
(E) NO DELAY IN PORT.  
(F) COM.RAD.OPERATOR CARRIED OUT WARTIME RADIO INSTRUCT.  
(G) DEFECTIVE HEATING AND VENTILATING IN AFT CREW QTRS.  
(H) MASTER AND OFFICERS CARRIED OUT WAR MERCH. INST'S.  
(I) NO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE SERVICE.  
(J) FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT APPROACHED PROPERLY.

*LT. (J.G.) C.G.*