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NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANAOFFICE OF THE
SENIOR COAST GUARD OFFICER,
EIGHTH NAVAL DISTRICT.

1 December, 1941

From: Senior Coast Guard Officer, Eighth Naval District.
To: Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard.

Subject: Report of armed Merchant Vessel of Belligerent.

Reference: (a) Headquarters' letter, 21 February, 1940 (IOF-601-64-Confidential).
(b) Report of Galveston L/B Sta., 11/26/41 .
on Armed Merchant Vessel Br. TKR. ALGONQUIN .

Inclosure: (A) Reference (b).

1. Inclosure (A) is forwarded for the information of Headquarters.

2. It is the opinion of this office that the armament mentioned therein is carried for defensive (~~offensive~~) purposes

3. No request was recieved from the Collector of Customs for the inspection of this vessel's armament.

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Galveston Lifeboat Station.

(Unit)

Galveston Texas.

(Place)

26th November 1941.

(Date)

From: Officer in Charge: Captain of the Port Detail.To : Commander, New Orleans District.Subject: Armed Merchant Vessels of Belligerents.1. The Algonquin, British Tanker.

(insert name and nationality of belligerent)

was inspected this date and the following armament was found on board:

GUNS: 1-3" B.L.L.A.Q.F. Mark 3. No. 505. L. Mtg. No. 337. Mark. 4. Tele sights, arc of elev, 20 D. arc of dep. 4 D. arc of train. 80 D. to 280 D. 1 ready use locker. gun located on gun platform fore and aft line aft on poop deck.AMMUNITION: 48 rounds of fixed ammunition. H.E.SMALL ARMS: 2 Hotchkiss, 2 Marlin, (combined as one) 2 Colt Machineguns. 2 Lewis, 1 lee Enfield Rifle.AMMUNITION: 3156 rounds of .303 Ball. 1770 rounds of .30 cal Ball. 1304 rounds of .303 cal Tracer. 430 rounds of .30 cal Tracer. 208 rounds of incendiary. 392 rounds of .303 cal A.P. 360 rounds of .303 Cal for Rifle.MAGAZINE: Located aft below 3" gun, center line. fire hose near in case of fire.FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: Telephone from bridge to gun. Local control, gun fired at gun.GUNS CREWS: 2 Soldier gunners, 3 Naval gunners.REMARKS: 6 smoke floats, 7 ignitors. 8 kites, 5 P.A.C. rockets, 7 cartridges. 2 dischargers, 8 steel helmets. 1 set of hoes and rakes. 4 machine gun nests. 1 on each wing of the bridge and 1 on starboard and port side of boat deck aft. 1 Deflated balloon. De Gaussed.

(FORM N-12).

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