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MERCHANT VESSEL BOARDING REPORT

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DATE BOARDED: 3-20-45 BOARDED AT: Sav., Ga. DATE OF REPORT: 3-22-45

VESSEL: SS "AMERICAN PACKER" NO. IN CREW: 57

CREW CHECK: NEGATIVE: XX POSITIVE: (See Below)

OPERATIONS IN PORT: DISCHARGING

ITINERARY: Vessel arrived Savannah, Georgia at 1850, 20 March, 1945 from Chile.

1. Crew list was checked through the files of this office with negative results. The following seamen who signed on SUBJECT ship on 14 March, 1945 in Panama, Canal Zone, were fingerprinted and interrogated.

(a) OKADA, Hiroshi, (Japanese) Born 25 February, 1922 at Honolulu, Hawaii; 5'7"; black hair; brown eyes. Issued U.S. Passport # 232976 on 9 September, 1944; issued certificate of identification # Z-110581, dated 15 July, 1940 at Honolulu, Hawaii. Security Indorsement placed on same, this date, at the port of Savannah, Georgia. SUBJECT has, on his possession, Commandant's letter, dated 14 June, 1944, (CG-6614-A) (INT.) "granting him permission to sail on any ocean but the Pacific or Indian Oceans". The SUBJECT signed on the SS "MIGUEL HIDALGO", (Serial # 242380) at the port of New York as an oiler on 4 January, 1945, and was discharged on 7 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, due to his being denied passage through the Panama Canal; then signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the Port of Savannah, Georgia, on 20 March, 1945. The SUBJECT registered for selective service at Local Board #1, New York, New York.

DISSEMINATION: CIO (1) DIO, 6ND (1) DCGIO, 6ND (2) File (1)

BOARDING OFFICER: H. R. Memler

APPROVED: HARVEY F. JOHNSON District CG Intelligence Officer, 6th NavD

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- (b) HIRASUNA, Masanori, (Japanese) Born 27 March, 1922 at Honolulu, Hawaii; 5'5"; black hair; brown eyes; 145 pounds. Issued U.S. Passport # 229195 on 23 August, 1944; issued certificate of identification # Z-6049 on 1 May, 1941 at Honolulu, Hawaii. Security indorsement placed on same by 3ND on 3 January, 1945.
- (r) SUBJECT has on his possession, Commandant's letter dated 9 August, 1944 (CG-6614-A) "granting him permission to sail on any ocean but the Pacific or Indian Oceans". The SUBJECT signed on the SS "MIGUEL HIDALGO" (Serial # 242380) at the port of New York as a wiper on 4 January, 1945, and was discharged on 7 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, due to his being denied passage through the Panama Canal; then signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the port of Savannah, Georgia, on 20 March, 1945. The SUBJECT registered for selective service at Fresno, California.
- (c) SATTO, Kazio, (Japanese) Born 13 June, 1924 at Honolulu, Hawaii; 5'8"; black hair; brown eyes; 130 pounds. Issued U.S. Passport #254922 on 1 December, 1944; issued certificate of identification # Z-6070 dated 21 May, 1941 at Honolulu, Hawaii. Security indorsement placed on same by 3ND on 3 January, 1945. SUBJECT has on his possession Commandant's letter dated 7 December, 1944 (CG-6614-A) (INT.) "granting him permission to sail on any ocean but the Pacific or Indian Oceans". The SUBJECT signed on the SS "MIGUEL HIDALGO" (Serial # 242380) at the port of New York as a wiper on 4 January, 1945, and was discharged on 7 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, due to his being denied passage through the Panama Canal; then signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the port of Savannah, Georgia on 20 March, 1945. The SUBJECT registered for selective service at Local Board # 37, Stockton, California. O.S. at New Orleans, Louisiana, and was discharged 19 January, 1945 at Manus Admiralty.
- (b) (d) WATKINS, Rudolph, Born 11 February, 1923 at Litchfield, Illinois; 5'7"; black hair; blue eyes; fair complexion; 150 pounds. Issued certificate of identification # Z-426006 at Los Angeles on 23 June, 1944. The SUBJECT signed on the SS "NEW LONDON" as a wiper at Los Angeles California, on 26 June, 1944, and was discharged at Cristobal, Canal Zone on 1 March, 1945 to take a blood-test, then signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone and arrived at the port of Savannah, Georgia on 20 March, 1945. 3392 in March, 1937 at New York, New York. The SUBJECT while serving as 2nd. Mate aboard the SS MISSION
- (e) JULIFS, Wilke Carl, Born 1 October, 1895 at Syracuse, Nebraska; 6 ft; brown hair; grey eyes; 175 pounds. Issued certificate of identification # Z-222220 at Portland, Oregon on 5 February, 1942. The SUBJECT

signed on the SS "S.I. DIMORRO" at Portland, Oregon as a fireman-watertender on 27 November, 1944, and was discharged at Balboa, Canal Zone on 2 March, 1945 for hospitalization; then signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the port of Savannah, Georgia, on 20 March, 1945.

2. Forms N... herewith.
3. The following found to be...
- (f) GRONAAS, Oskar Backin, Born 23 November, 1917 at Bergens, Norway; 5'8"; blue eyes; brown hair; 160 pounds. Issued CGIC #031-881217 at New York on 8 November, 1943; AR: 9519616; Norwegian PP # 1012-1936; Panamanian Employment Card #4811. SUBJECT sailed from New York aboard the Panamanian flag vessel SS "PHOEBUS" and signed off at Panama, Canal Zone, on 13 January, 1945, and was admitted to the hospital for treatment for venereal disease. SUBJECT signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the port of Savannah, Georgia on 20 March, 1945.
- (g) SLOVIK, Frank Stanley, born 31 Aug., 1919 at Cameron, Texas; 5'10"; brown hair; brown eyes; ruddy complexion; 160 pounds. Issued Certificate of Identification Z-294928 at Port Arthur, Texas on 23 Oct., 1943. SUBJECT signed on the SS "RICHMOND MUMFORD PEARSON" as 2nd. Cook on 4 December, 1944, at New Orleans, Louisiana; discharged 17 January, 1945 at Manus, Admiralty Islands for treatment at the U.S. Navy Hospital; then signed on the SS "NEW LONDON" as a wiper on 1 February, 1945 for voyage to Cristobal, Canal Zone, and signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the port of Savannah, Georgia on 20 March, 1945.
- (h) GENDUSA, John Joseph, born 1 July, 1918 at Morgan City, Iowa; 5'6"; brown eyes; brown hair; 130 pounds. Issued Certificate of Identification Z-206781 on 9 October, 1941. SUBJECT signed on the SS "JOSEPH WEYDEMEYER" on 8 December, 1944 as O.S. at New Orleans, Louisiana, and was discharged 19 January, 1945 at Manus, Admiralty Islands for treatment at the U.S. Navy Hospital; then signed on the SS "NEW LONDON" as O.S. on 1 February, 1945 for voyage to Cristobal, Canal Zone. Discharged from the SS "NEW LONDON" on 1 March, 1945 at Cristobal, C.Z. and signed on the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March, 1945, at Panama, C.Z. and arrived Savannah, Georgia on 20 March, 1945.
- (i) GILLILAND, Jerman, born 8 March, 1907 at Gallant, Alabama; 5'9"; brown hair; blue eyes; 218 pounds. Issued CDB 019592 in March, 1937 at New York, New York. The SUBJECT while serving as 2nd. Mate aboard the SS "MISSION PURISIMA" was logged by the ship's captain, and dis-

(2) charged at Balboa, Canal Zone, on 7 March, 1945. The
(3) SUBJECT was then given a hearing by the Merchant-Marine
Hearing Unit, Balboa, which suspended his papers for two
months, effective 7 March, 1945. SUBJECT then signed
aboard the SS "AMERICAN PACKER" as a workaway on 14 March,
1945 at Panama, Canal Zone, and arrived at the port of
Savannah, Georgia on 20 March, 1945.

2. Forms Ncg 2515 and Ncg 2765 for the above seamen are forwarded
herewith.

3. The following aliens' Maritime Documents were inspected and
found to be stamped for Security as follows:

- (a) WEBBER, Harry, (Z-379401), Russian, 3rd Naval District
Security Indorsement dated 17 July, 1944.
- (b) TOVAL, Juan M. (Z-457642), Spanish, 12th Naval District
Security Indorsement dated 12 October, 1944.
- (c) AQUINO, Pablo (Z-49163), Puerto Rican, 12th Naval District
Security Indorsement dated 13 January, 1945.
- (d) OLSEN, Arne B. (Z-437789), Norwegian, 12th Naval District
Security Indorsement dated 22 December, 1944.
- (e) SAMBULA, Basilio, (Z-4483-5801) Honduras, 12th Naval District
Security Indorsement dated 16 November, 1944.
- (f) GRONDAAS, Oskar B., (CGID # 031-881217); PEC,4811;(See Para-
graph 1, sub-paragraph (f)).

(11) Brief description of sealing operations

(12) Brief description of any signalling apparatus

(13) I hereby certify that I have, in accordance with orders of the
District Coast Guard Officer, Third Naval District, sealed the
radio apparatus of the above named vessel.
The serial number(s) of the seal(s) are (is).

TIDEN USC _____

BUTTON USC _____

INTACT FROM _____

ARMED (Yes) _____

DEMANSED (Yes) _____

WIPED (Yes) _____

SPEED (14) knots _____

(Signature)
E. Rogan

Attached to Office, District
Guard Officer, Third Naval District