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HARMON NEW ORLEANS CALLING REFERRING TELETYPE MESSAGE NINTH FROM MR. STEPHENS REGARDING INFORMATION GASOLINE LOADED ON VESSELS HYBERT AND ARIEPA STOP HYBERT SAILED FROM TEXAS CITY TEXAS EIGHTH FOR JAPAN VIA SAN PEDRO CALIFORNIA ARIEPA READY TO SAIL LAST NIGHT BUT COMMERCIAL TEST OF GASOLINE SHOWED THAT BY DISTILLATION AND ADDITION OF 3 CC TETRA ETHYL LEAD AS MENTIONED IN REGULATIONS JULY 27 OCTANE RATING JUMPED TO 90.28 MESSAGE FROM MERCHANT SHIP MOVEMENT OFFICE LAST NIGHT WITHHELD DEPARTURE PERMIT AND VESSEL STILL HERE STOP HOZIMA MARU LOADING TODAY THIS SAME GRADE GASOLINE AND EXPECTS TO SAIL TOMORROW MORNING STOP FIND FOLLOWING VESSELS HAVE LOADED SAME GRADE GASOLINE AND SAILED ALL VIA SAN PEDRO CALIFORNIA AS FOLLOWS AZUMA MARU SAILED OCTOBER 25 GAYO MARU

SAILED OCTOBER 31 AND AEAGI MARU SAILED NOVEMBER NINTH STOP WATERMAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY OPERATORS OF ARIEPA ARE NOT AFTER ALL CONCERNED AS TO WHY ARIEPA IS BEING HELD UP AND DEFINITE INSTRUCTIONS SOON AS POSSIBLE DESIRABLE END OR GA

WILL DELIVER MESSAGE TO MR. STEPHENS END OR GA

END THANKS WJH

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