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9 September, 1944

To: Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, Philadelphia, Pa.

Subj: SS BENJAMIN CHEW; oil spillage

1. Complaint of oil spillage by the above vessel into waters of New York Harbor was received by this office after ship had departed for Philadelphia to take on cargo.
2. It is requested that your office assume jurisdiction for appropriate disposition.
3. It is further requested that this office be advised of any action taken in order that the Supervisor of New York Harbor, Rear Admiral Bunkley, U.S.N. (Ret.) may be notified accordingly.

JOHN I. DUGAN
By direction

Incls:

1. Memo for DCGO, 3ND dated 7 Sept., 1944
2. Letter to CO, Port Security Command, dated 7 Sept., 1944
3. Statement by Elliot H. Oyen, Chief Engineer, SS BENJAMIN CHEW

cc: The Commandant