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THE COMMANDANT (PMP)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CREW DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE,
WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION.

The Coast Guard has received information from a reliable source concerning James B. Humphries, Bos'n, on the SS BLACK POINT. During the present voyage of the SS BLACK POINT, 1000 opium pills and 45 morphine syrettes were stolen from the medicine chests aboard. An interview of Humphries and investigation of his quarters produced considerable circumstantial evidence that Humphries used drugs and probably had stolen the missing drugs on the SS BLACK POINT. However, as the present evidence is not conclusive, the case warrants no action without further developments. The Coast Guard will instigate whatever action may prove warranted, however.

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