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REPORT OF ARMAMENT OF BELLIGERENT MERCHANT VESSEL

The Norwegian Motorship BRITISH COLUMBIA EXPRESS was inspected by the Customs Officials at Seattle, Washington on 27 March, 1942 and the following armament found on board:

GUNS: 1 4" gun on the stern with 60 rounds of shells in addition

to 6 practice shells.

SMALL ARMS: 2 machine guns with 100 rounds (.30 cal).

1 revolver (.38 cal.) with 50 cartridges.

MISCELLANEOUS: 6 smoke floats.

Degaussing cable.

It is believed that this vessel is armed for defense purposes only.

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