

601-64 CONFIDENTIAL

TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA,

27 May, 1941

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OFFICE OF THE  
DISTRICT COMMANDER  
NEW ORLEANS DISTRICTFrom: Commander, New Orleans District.  
To: Commandant.

Subject: Report of Armed Merchant Vessel of Belligerent.

Reference: (a) Headquarters' letter, 21 February, 1940 (IOF-601-64-CONFIDENTIAL).  
(b) Report of W. HAMNER, (104-504) RMLc. 25 May, 1941  
on Armed Merchant Vessel Norwegian SS CARMELFJELL.

Inclosure: (A) Reference (b).

1. Inclosure (A) is forwarded for the information of Headquarters.

2. It is the opinion of this office that the armament mentioned therein is carried for defensive (~~offensive~~) purposes only, provided that this vessel is employed in normal trade.

3. No request was received from the Collector of Customs for the inspection of this vessel's armament.

  
F. J. BIRKETT,  
Acting

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
United States Coast Guard,New Orleans Group

(Unit)

Algiers, Louisiana

(Place)

25 May, 1941.

(Date)

From:

Walter C. Hamner, (104-504), RMLc.

To :

Commander, New Orleans District.

Subject:

Armed Merchant Vessels of Belligerents.1. The SS CARMELFJELL Norwegian

(insert name and nationality of belligerent)

was inspected this date and the following armament was found on board:

GUNS:

None

AMMUNITION:

None.

SMALL ARMS:

Two (2) Lewis Machine guns, .303 calibre.Located in passenger cabin port side, below and aft of the Bridgerounds

AMMUNITION:

One thousand three hundred twenty/ for the above small arms.At the present time the above ammunition is located inPassenger cabin on the port side, below and aft of the Bridge.

MAGAZINE:

can be flooded with hose from top side.

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT:

Megaphone from bridge to gun.

GUNS CREWS:

First and second mates.

REMARKS:

Degaussing gear. Twenty (20) Civilian type gas masks. No protective clothing aboard.

(FORM N-12).

Walter C. Hamner

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(Signature)

RMLc.

(Rank or rating).