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ARRIVED JULY THIRD FRENCH FREIGHT AND PASSENGER STEAMER CUBA FROM BORDEAUX FRANCE VIA CASA BLANCO FRENCH MOROCCO WITH CARGO WINES TIRES ETC FOR FRENCH AND BRITISH WEST INDIES VENEZUELA GUINAS AND CIUDAD TRUJILLO ALSO SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY NINE REFUGEE PASSENGERS TO BE LANDED CIUDAD TRUJILLO STOP OWNERS OPERATORS FRENCH LINE NO CHARTERERS STOP VESSEL ARMED WITH TWO NINETY MILLIMETER GUNS LOCATED IN STERN AND ONE MACHINE GUN STOP MASTER DESIRES TO CLEAR FOR CIUDAD TRUJILLO TO LAND ALL REFUGEE PASSENGERS ABOARD THENCE RETURNING TO THIS PORT FOR TWELVE HUNDRED TONS FUEL OIL FOR BUNKERS STOP WILL PROCEED THENCE TO FRENCH ISLAND GUADELOUPE THEN TO FORT DE FRANCE MARTINQUE WHERE SHIP WILL AWAIT FURTHER ORDERS STOP

PLEASE ADVISE BY RADIO WHETHER UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES* CLEARANCE MAY BE GRANTED STOP NO SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES OTHER THAN THAT SHIP IS CONTROLLED BY FRENCH GOVERNMENT WHOSE TERRITORY IS OCCUPIED BY HOSTILE MILITARY FORCES

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