

601-64-CONFIDENTIAL

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

INTELLIGENCE

REC'D MAY 21 1942

OFFICE OF
DISTRICT COAST GUARD OFFICER
EIGHTH NAVAL DISTRICT.

ANS'D

DATE 16 May, 1942.

From: District Coast Guard Officer, Eighth Naval District.
To : Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard.

Subject: Report of armed Merchant Vessel of Belligerent.

Reference: (a) Headquarters' letter, 21 February, 1940 (IOF-601-64-Confidential).
(b) Report of BASKIN, Morris H. BM2c Galveston I/B Station
(c) Date 11 May, 1942. /Galveston, Texas.
(d) On armed Merchant Vessel DARIEN S.S. Pan.

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.

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

J. L. AHERN
J. L. AHERN,

Galveston Lifeboat Station.
(UNIT)

Galveston Texas.
(PLACE)

May 11 1942
(DATE)

FROM: Morris H. Baskin Boarding Officer B. M. 2c
TO: District Coast Guard Officer, 8th Naval District.
VIA: Commanding Officer, GALVESTON BASE.
SUBJECT: Armed Merchant Vessels of Belligerents.

1. The Darien. Panama.
(Insert name and nationality of belligerent)

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

GUNS: 4" 50- Mark no 9 Lewis 2- 30 Cal.

AMMUNITION: 93 Rounds. Lewis 2000 Rounds 700 E&A Tracer.

SMALL ARMS: _____

AMMUNITION: _____

MAGAZINE: Magazine Location After Peak

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: Sprinkler. Flooding Telephone.

GUN CREW: Gun Crews 4 Navy 6 Merchant Seamen. Naval Ratings 1- Cox 3 - AS Merchant 6

REMARKS: Gas Protective Clothing Ships Crew & Navy 4 Helmets. Machine Gun Nests Win Bridge Degaussing Cable Coil Degaussing

Morris H. Baskin
(Signature)
Morris H. Baskin Boarding Officer B. M. 2c
(Rank or rating)

(FORM N-12)