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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 Ralph Mosher, Bosun, formerly of the SS DAVID CALDWELL. Report states that Mosher, having been refused liberty, forged a gangway pass in the Port of Oran on July 6 and attempted to carry cigarettes and clothing off the ship to sell ashore. He was apprehended, restricted to his ship but subsequently broke restrictions by going over the fantail with a quantity of the ship's soap. Present report further states that Mosher has been removed from the ship's company but that he has not been apprehended for trial on above offenses. As soon as he is located he is to be tried in Oran, a preliminary finding having been established, after investigation by proper authority, that he has hampered the prosecution of the war while in a theatre of operations.

The Coast Guard will instigate whatever disciplinary action is warranted in this case.

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