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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CREW DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE,

The Coast Guard has received information from a reliable source concerning T. Atkinson, 3rd Asst. Engineer of the 35 DAVY CROCKETT. Report alleges that Atkinson caused considerable trouble in September 1943 by attempting to visit the Jr. 3rd Asst. Engineer, John P. Cairns who was hospitalized for a mental disorder in Santos, Brazil. Having been refused permission to visit Cairns, report alleges Atkinson evaded hospital authorities and called to Cairns from outside his hospital window. It is alleged that as a result of this misbehavior Cairns fell 25 feet out of his window and was severely injured. Atkinson was taken into custody after this episode and restricted to his ship. However, be became violent and abusive and threatened several officers on board and he was thereupon put in a local fail until sailing time.

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

Commander, U.S.C.G.
Chief, Merchant Marine
Personnel Division

DAVY CROCKETT