

CONFIDENTIAL

DEER LODGE

2/16/43

1. Position-Sea-Weather 33°46'S, 26°57'E; cloudy and moderate.
2. Convoy or Independent Independent.
3. Time & Kind of 1st Hit 2352 - 1 torpedo.
4. Location of 1st Hit #2 hold port side.
5. Effect of 1st Hit Extreme damage and flooding at #2 hold.
6. Time & Reason For Abandonment Or Why Not 0014, 2/17/43 (22 min.) - ship beyond control since steering gear was damaged. Fear of further attack.
7. Persons Aboard - 57 Lost by drowning - 1; by accident - 1. Total lost - 2.
8. Time & Kind of 2nd Hit 0016, 2/17/43 (24 min.) - 1 torpedo.
9. Location of 2nd Hit #2 hold port side.
10. Effect of 2nd Hit Extensive damage, vessel broke in half.
11. Disposition of Vessel Sunk 0156, 2/17/43 (2 hours, 4 min.).