

31 October, 1941.

U. S. Maritime Commission,
45 Broadway,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

INTELLIGENCE
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In compliance with the request contained in your letter of October 30, 1941, authority is granted to make the following repairs, installation, or modification to present equipment aboard the Panamanian S/S EL OCEANO by the Robbins Dry Dock Company, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

Install DeGaussing system, pilot house protection, sea-valve strengthening and defense crew accommodations.

Install one (1) 4"/.50 calibre gun and two (2) .30 calibre Lewis machine guns, provided the installation is for defensive purposes only.

The installation of the guns listed above does not imply that such vessel with defensive armament will be granted a permit to sail from ports of the United States.

~~This permit does not authorize the installation of any guns.~~

Very truly yours,

J. S. BAYLIS,
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard.

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Copy to:
Headquarters. ✓
Collector of Customs, N. Y.