

CONFIDENTIAL

ELIAS HOWE

9/24/43

1. Position-Sea-Weather 11°40'N, 44°35'E; Clear, calm and warm.
2. Convoy or Independent Independent.
3. Time and Kind of 1st Hit 0320 - 1 torpedo.
4. Location of 1st Hit Machinery spaces port side.
5. Effect of Hit Flooded engine room and #3 hold flooding.
6. Time & Reason for Abandonment or why not 0327 (7 min.) - Fear of further attack; vessel beyond control; reboard, if not attacked.
7. Persons Aboard - 60 Lost by torpedo explosion - 2.
8. Time & Kind of 2nd Hit 0330 (10 Min.) - 1 torpedo.
9. Location of 2nd Hit Machinery spaces, port side. (Same place as first hit.)
10. Effect of Hit Exploded nitrate; ship broke in two and sank immediately.
11. Disposition of Vessel Sunk - 0330 (10 Min.).