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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CREW DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE,
WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION.

The Coast Guard has received from a reliable source information concerning Holger M. Schou, Master of the SS ELWOOD.

Report alleges that no fire drill was held at any time during a recent voyage of this ship, and only one boat drill was held just before the vessel arrived at a home port. Further, it is alleged that while this vessel was in the Caribbean the Master frequently violated blackout regulations by smoking on the bridge. He also, it is reported, refused to allow Navy signalmen on the bridge under any circumstances.

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

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