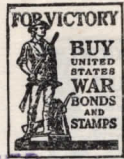


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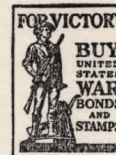
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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRICT CG INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, 4ND

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1. An examination of the crew of the SS ESSO DOVER (American) which arrived in Philadelphia, Pa. on 15 July, 1945, revealed that Enrique CAPO, joined the vessel at Trinidad, British West Indies; Joseph McLAUGHLIN joined the ship at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Tomas FRYS and Tonis TONISSON joined the vessel at Montevideo, Uruguay; and that Clifford E. EVERTS joined the vessel at Caripita, Venezuela. They were interrogated on 16 July, 1945.

2. CAPO stated in substance that:

He signed on the SS KEGUMS (Lithuanian) in New York in January 1945, and was signed off at Trinidad, B.W.I. on 3 February, 1945 for hospitalization and out patient treatment for a venereal disease. He remained in Trinidad until 13 February, 1945, when he signed on the SS ESSO DOVER as a machinist before the U. S. Consul.

CAPO possessed the following documents: Panamanian Seaman's Employment Card No. PAN 17226; Cuban Passport No. 4139; COTP Card No. 0311672189 which indicated that he was examined for security by the DCGO, 3ND on 15 January, 1945.

CAPO resides at Crespo 122, Havana, Cuba, and was born 15 July, 1913 in Havana, Cuba. He is described as follows: Ht. 5'6"; wt. 155 lbs.; brown hair; brown eyes; ruddy complexion.

3. EVERT stated in substance that:

He was flown from New York to Caripita, Venezuela for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey by the Pan-American Airways on 8 February, 1945 to join the SS ESSO DOVER as a purser, and he joined that vessel on 12 February, 1945.

EVERT possessed the following documents: Certificate of Identification No. Z-445746, which indicated he was examined for security by the DCGO, 3ND on 2 November, 1944; COTP Card No. 031136659 (dup.) which indicated he was examined for security by the DCGO, 3ND on 2 November, 1944; Social Security

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Card No. 511167385; Selective Service Card from Local Board No. 1 Belleville, Kansas, indicating classification of 2B; Venezuelan Alien's Registration Book No. 0174 issued at New York on 29 January, 1945. A traveling passport used by him was taken up by the Immigration and Naturalization examiner in Philadelphia, Pa.

EVIERT resides in Republic, Kansas, and was born 8 November, 1922 at Union Township, Kansas and is described as follows: Ht. 6'1"; wt. 170 lbs.; blonde hair; blue eyes; fair complexion; scar on forehead.

4. FRYS stated in substance that:

He signed on the MS MOTOCARLINE (Panamanian) in Montevideo, Uruguay on 18 May, 1943 and signed off 31 July, 1944 at Montevideo for hospitalization. After treatment for his stomach ailment, he did standby duty for the Panama Transport Company, operators of the MS MOTOCARLINE, until 5 March, 1945, when he signed on the SS ESSO DOVER as a wiper, in Montevideo before the U. S. Consul.

FRYS is a Polish National who left Poland aboard the SS GIULIO CAESAR (Italian) as a passenger and arrived in Montevideo in January, 1932. He worked ashore as a carpenter until 1939 when he went to sea for the Hector Whale Oil Company operating Norwegian whaling vessels out of Montevideo. In 1941 he signed off the Hector Company vessels and signed on a cargo ship SS HARPOON (Norwegian). This vessel plied between Montevideo and Halifax, Nova Scotia. He signed off the SS HARPOON in 1943 and on 18 May, 1943, he shipped on the MS MOTOCARLINE because the pay was higher. This vessel operated between South American ports and United States. He said he was never arrested nor been in the military or naval service of any country.

FRYS possessed the following documents: Polish Passport No. NR 277824 issued 26 November, 1927 at Warsaw, Poland; Uruguayan Identity Card No. 343038 issued at Montevideo; Discharge from the MS MOTOCARLINE (Panama Transport Company) dated 31 July, 1944; Alien Registration Card No. 9690322 issued in New York in 1943.

FRYS resides at 3425 Yrn P. Laguna, Uruguay, and was born 19 November, 1901 in Rtykach, Poland, and was married in Poland in 1931. His wife, and their two children born in Uruguay, reside in Montevideo. He is described as follows: Ht. 5'10"; wt. 190 lbs.; blonde hair; blue eyes; fair complexion; scar on bridge of nose. Fingerprint forms NCG 2515 and NAVCG 2765 forms are attached as inclosures 1 and 2.

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5. McLAUGHLIN stated in substance that:

He arrived in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil aboard the SS ESSO MALVERN HILL (American) on 4 December, 1944, and missed that vessel when it sailed because he was drunk ashore. He stayed at the British Seamen's Hotel at Rue Marquessa de Aberantis, Rio de Janeiro, and that his expenses were paid by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and the agent for the Standard Oil Company gave him \$3.50 weekly. He left all his personal gear, as well as his Certificate of Identification, COTP Card and Seaman's Passport (all issued in New York in August, 1944), aboard the SS ESSO MALVERN HILL. He was signed on as an ordinary seaman aboard the SS ESSO DOVER on 4 January, 1945 at Rio de Janeiro, before the U. S. Vice Consul. He attended Parochial schools and Bryant High School in New York City from 1925 to 1935 and joined the U. S. Navy on 7 January, 1941 at New York City, being honorably discharged on 18 April, 1943 from the USS TENNESSEE at San Francisco, California on a medical survey for a heart condition. From June, 1943 to August, 1944, he worked for the United Airlines at LaGuardia Airport in New York City.

McLAUGHLIN possessed the following documents: Social Security Card No. 103013597; Selective Service Card from Local Board 244, Astoria, New York, indicating his classification as 1C.

He resides at 3724 - 69th Street, Woodside, New York and was born 14 April, 1919, at 237 West 10th Street, New York, N. Y. He is described as follows: Ht. 5'5"; wt. 145 lbs.; brown hair; blue eyes; ruddy complexion; scar on chin. Fingerprint forms NCG 2515 and NAVCG 2765 forms are attached as inclosures 3 and 4.

6. TONISSON stated in substance that:

He signed off the MS MOTOCARLINE (Panamanian) on 6 June, 1944, at Montevideo, Uruguay, to obtain treatment for a venereal disease at the State Hospital there. He stayed at 15-25 Juan Carlos Gomez Street, Montevideo until 29 March, 1945, when he signed on the SS ESSO DOVER as a wiper, before the U. S. Consul. He maintained himself between June 1944 and 29 March, 1945, by doing standby duty for the Moore-McCormack Lines at Montevideo for \$2.00 or \$3.00 daily. He has been to sea since 1922 and from 1939 to December, 1943, sailed on Norwegian whaling ships operating from Uruguay. He said he was never arrested nor in the military or naval service of any country.

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TONISSON possessed the following documents: Estonian Passport No. 057357; COTP Card No. 0311422203 describing him as a seaman; and a discharge from the MS MOTOCARLINE (Panama Transport Company) dated 6 June, 1944.

He resides at the Merchant Seamen's Hotel at Montevideo and was born 10 March, 1904 at Bernaw, Estonia and is described as follows: Ht. 5'10"; wt. 190 lbs.; blond hair; blue eyes; ruddy complexion; tattoos on both arms and chest; growth over right ear; scarred left thumb. Fingerprint forms NCG 2515 and NAVCG 2765 forms are attached as inclosures 5 and 6.

7. Interrogation of the above crew members aboard the SS ESSO DOVER, and the examination of their identity documents indicate they are bona fide seamen.

Alfred L. Brew
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Investigator

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Investigator

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