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MERCHANT VESSEL BOARDING REPORT

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DATE BOARDED: 30 Dec. 1944 BOARDED AT: Chas. S.C. DATE OF REPORT: 3 Jan. 1945.
VESSEL: SS ETHELBERT NEVIN NO. IN CREW:
CREW CHECK: NEGATIVE: POSITIVE: (See Below) XX OPERATIONS IN PORT: In dock for discharge of ammunition.
ITINERARY: Med. (Via U.K.)

- Check through files of this office disclosed the following:
 - a. Ernest LOTTI: listed in current MMSL, a Communist suspect, expressed admiration for Axis powers and definitely critical of U.S. Born in Italy, 1888, naturalized, 1941. Denaturalization proceedings against SUBJECT dropped 6/5/43. When interviewed SUBJECT denied that his East Side Beer Parlor, 14 N. Market St., Chas., S.C. was a meeting place for Communists, that he had read a great deal about Russia and wanted no part of Russia, that he would rather be put in the penitentiary for life than be accused of being a Communist or having anything to do with them. SUBJECT stated that he has no relatives in Italy, and no relatives in armed forces of U.S. SUBJECT's seaman's papers were endorsed for security. Fingerprints attached.
 - b. Gaetano SAIBO, Jr.: listed in current MMSL, was charged with misconduct and assault with broken beer bottle, admitted divulging names of ships and destinations while drinking in taproom in Chas., S.C., but since interview with Naval personnel has been careful; reported to be a militant trande unionist, organizer and agitator for NMU; considered dangerous. SUBJECT is native-born American of Italian parents; born in Belmont, Mass., 16 Dec. 1916. When interviewed the SUBJECT stated that his fight occurred on his wedding night 4 years ago when two men accosted his bride (purportedly a prostitute employed at Charlie's Tavern, 93 Market St., Chas., S.C.) and when he repulsed the men he had to use a broken beer bottle to do it effectively. SUBJECT disavowed

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any communistic leanings but admitted to being a strong believer in the NMU. SUBJECT's maritime documents were endorsed for security. Fingerprints attached.

c. Raymond Gregory WAILACE: born 30 May, 1917, Milwaukee, Wisc., missed SS MARACEIBO at Panama City; Z-246402-D2. SUBJECT advised when interviewed that he missed his ship because of being in jail after he had gotten into a fight with another man who had tried to "roll" him in a taxi while on the way back to his ship. SUBJECT stated that he never was a communist sympathizer though he had sought information about it and is a strong NMU man. SUBJECT was in 1942-1943 hospitalized in Trinidad for treatment for syphillis, of which he presently claims to be almost cured. SUBJECT's maritime papers were endorsed for security. Fingerprints attached.

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