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REPORT OF ARMAMENT OF BELLIGERENT MERCHANT VESSEL

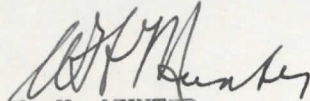
The British Steamship FORT FRASER was inspected by the Customs Officials at Seattle, Washington on 6 May, 1942, and the following armament found on board:

GUNS: 1 Four inch stern gun with 60 rounds of service and 14 practice ammunition.

SMALL ARMS: 1 .50 Machine gun with 1200 rounds
2 .303 Machine guns with 1200 rounds.

MISC: 2 Kites and equipment.
8 Gas masks and gas repellent clothing for decontamination squad.
Deguassing cable and 2 paravanes but not installed.
4 Smoke floats.

It is believed that this vessel is armed for defense purpose only.



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