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To: The Commandant (INT)

Subj: SS FRANK H. DODD, crew members without Maritime Documents;
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1. When subject vessel was boarded by an Intelligence Boarding Officer on 6 October, 1945, it was determined that the following listed members of the crew did not have maritime documents:

- A. RICHARD HERRAS WOLFERT, born 6 August, 1904, in Manila, P.I., SSA#575-26-0100, age 42, Height 5'7", Lgt Hair, Brn Eyes, Wife--Adeline, Address: 1642 Donada, Pasay, Rizal, Manila, P.I., was placed on board as a Wiper by the W.S.A. Port Representative. Wolfert was born in the Philippines and has never been away from the islands. Wolfert claims citizenship through his father (deceased) who was born in New York City, N.Y. Subject has the following letter in his possession:

THE FOREIGN SERVICE
of the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
American Consulate General
Manila, Philippines

PJH/BsL 23 July 1945

Mr. Richard Wolfert
1642 Donada
Pasay, Rizal, Manila, P.I.

Sir: In reply to your inquiry, the Consulate General is satisfied that you are an American citizen and have not lost your American citizenship since approval of your previous registration on 29 May, 1941.

Paul J. Haldemar
Vice Consul of the
U. S. of America

Mr. Wolfert also has the following letter:

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To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Richard H. Wolfert son of William Wolfert and Eloisa Herreros states that he was born on August 6, 1904 and was baptized in the Roman Catholic Church of Quiapo, Manila on 30 August, 1904.

The Roman Catholic Church of Quiapo, Manila was burned in February, 1945.

Mons. Vicente Fernandez
Parish Priest of Quiapo, Manila

During the Japanese Occupation, Subject asserts that he and his family "hid out" at Alaminos Pangasinan near Lingayen, P.I.

Subject also has a marriage certificate.

- B. DAVID HORACE GRAHAM was assigned as a Messman by the W.S.A. Port Representative to the SS FRANK H. DODD at Manila, P.I. Graham is described as follows: Age 22, Height 5'9½", Blk Hair, Brn Eyes, Father--David E., Address: Santo Tomas University, Manila, P.I. Subject was born on 27 May, 1923, and subsequently was taken to the United States, returning to the Philippine Islands on or about 19 September, 1930. Subject states that his father, David Edgar Graham, was born in Washington, D.C., and that his father presented his (D. E. Graham's) United States Passport to the American Consulate in Manila, P.I., to prove Subject's citizenship. Subject has the following letter:

THE FOREIGN SERVICE
of the
16 May 1945
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
American Consulate General
Manila, Philippines

Mr. David Horace Graham
Sto. Thomas Camp
Manila

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry, you are informed that the records of the Consulate General show that you are an American citizen included in the passport issued to your father, David Edgar Graham, on August 30, 1929, by the Passport Agent, Department of State, San Francisco.

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Very truly yours,

U. Alexis Johnson

American Consul

During the Japanese Occupation, Subject states that he was interned in Santo Tomas and was released twice: Once when his mother died, and second when his father was taken to the Phillipines General Hospital, suffering from malnutrition. That he was finally released when the Americans took the camp.

- C. ROBERT EVERETT HARRIS was signed on Subject vessel as a Messman by the W.S.A. Port Representative in Manila, P.I. Subject's description is as follows: Age 25, born 19 August, 1920, Manila, P.I., Weight 158#, Height 5'10", Blk Hair, Brn Eyes, Dk Comp., Mole behind rt ear, Address: 24 Guevarra Ave., San Juan, Manila, P.I. Harris states that his father, Everett B. Harris, was born in Shelbyville, Ill., and his mother, Felicia Fernandez, was born in Dagupan, Luzon, P.I. Subject also has a letter from the American Consulate General stating that he is an American citizen. Subject also has a letter of recommendation for his pro-American activities signed by one, Captain Robert M. Murphy of Col. Ramsey's Guerilla Unit, M. T. Company, M.M.O. Subject volunteered for Red Cross work on 6 Dec., 1941. On 2 January, 1942, Japanese forces came in and he was allowed to stay out of their internment camp because of his Red Cross work. Later he was arrested and tortured by the Japanese for carrying information to the Guerillas and only escaped execution when a young lady friend pleaded in his behalf to the Japanese Officer in Charge of the prison in which he was being held. This young lady begged mercy for subject because of his youth and because of the fact that he was not a member of a military organization. The Japanese Officer in Charge of the prison delayed execution of subject and the following day this same Japanese officer was transferred from the Province. The execution was then postponed entirely.

2. The SS FRANK H. DODD, Official No. 244762, is owned and operated by the W.S.A., and her General Agents are the Matson Navigation Company. Raymond W. Racouillat, 1388 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., San Anselmo, Calif., is her Master.

3. The United States Immigration and Naturalization Service boarded

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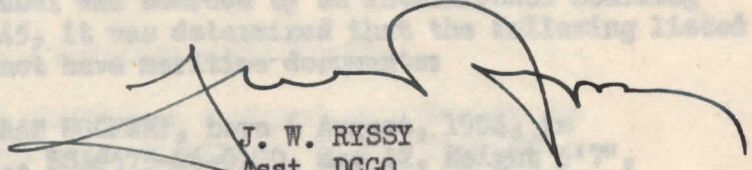
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subject vessel and found the three men to be United States citizens.

4. All three men have declared their intention of applying for maritime documents when they reach San Francisco, California. Subject vessel was not in this area a sufficient length of time to permit the men to obtain maritime documents from the U. S. Shipping Commissioner, Honolulu, T.H.

5. Fingerprint Record form NCG-2515, NAVCG-2765, and Personal History Forms covering subject men are attached hereto. It is requested that such men be screened through Headquarters' indices and any derogatory information forwarded direct to DCGO, 12ND (int). It is further requested that the DCGO 12ND (int) advise the U. S. Shipping Commissioner, San Francisco, California, of the status of subject men.

6. Subject vessel is to depart Honolulu, T.H., for San Francisco, California.



J. W. RYSSY
Asst. DCGO

Incls
Forms NCG-2515, NAVCG-2765,
& PHFs on 3 Subj. men.

CC: DCGO 12ND (int)
OinC, OMI, Honolulu, T.H.