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DETROIT DEPOT STATES COAST GUARD

REC'D OCT 23 1940

Office Of Commander
Cleveland District

Detroit, Michigan,

21 October, 1940.

U. S. COAST GUARD

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From: Captain of the Port of Detroit.
To : Collector of Customs, Detroit, Michigan.
Subject: Armed Merchant Vessels.
Reference: (a) Your telephone call, 20 October, 1940.

INTELLIGENCE

1. The Norwegian vessel ~~HARVEFJELL~~, home port Oslo, Norway, was inspected this date and the following armament found on board:

GUNS: No mounted guns.

AMMUNITION: No large caliber ammunition.

SMALL ARMS: One Hotchkiss machine gun; .305 caliber.

AMMUNITION: Approximately 1200 rounds of .305 caliber.

MAGAZINE LOCATION: Stateroom cabin deck above weather deck.

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT:
No special equipment.

GUNS CREWS: One Mate and one Seaman Gunner.

REMARKS: Bridge enclosed in concrete blocks as bomb shelter. Clock in pilot house chart room equipped with attachment alarm for steering zigzag courses.

It is the opinion of this office that the above-mentioned armament is carried for defensive purposes only, provided that this vessel is employed in normal trade.

Copy to Headquarters.

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