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14 July, 1944

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF, MERCHANT MARINE INSPECTION DIVISION

Subj: Summary of information received in the Intelligence Division

The following from Aruba, Netherlands West Indies, dated 24 June, 1944, is forwarded for your information:

"The USS SC-687 was involved in a minor collision at approximately 0150, 22 June, 1944. The incident occurred about two or three miles off the east entrance of San Nicholas Harbor, Aruba, as the SS J. W. VAN DYKE was joining Convoy MISC 165 for which the SC-687 was an escort, when the two vessels collided. The collision necessitated the SC 687 entering San Nicholas Harbor, and another vessel was substituted as escort for the convoy. Preliminary inspection revealed that the escort received damage above the water line, thought not to be of a serious nature. Temporary repairs have been effected. The exact damage, if any, incurred by the SS J. W. VAN DYKE could not be ascertained as this vessel proceeded in convoy."

F. E. POLLIO  
Commander, USCG

CC: Asst. Commandant  
Chief Operations Officer

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