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Lt. Comdr. Burch, USNR, Room 4710

Subj: Report on fiasco of alleged theft of confidential papers from the SS JARED INGERSOLL

In accordance with the telephonic conversation between Lieut.(j.g.) Harper of your office and myself there is inclosed a copy of the secret letter, Serial L-00100, of June 25, 1943, from the U. S. Naval Observer, Freetown, Sierre Leone, to the Director of Naval Intelligence. The original letter is of necessity being retained by the Coast Guard until action on the Subject is completed, when it will be returned promptly.

The original paraphrased copy of certain dispatches which accompanied the original of the inclosure is also being returned inasmuch as it is felt that no useful purpose would be served in retaining these.

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Commanding, USCG

Incl
Copy of ltr 6/25/43 fr
U.S. Naval Observer,
Freetown, S.L., with
copy of dispatches
referred to therein

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