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## JEREMIAH VAN RENSSELAER

2/2/43

1.	Position-Sea-Weather	54°50'N, 28°55'W; overcast and rough; 36° below zero.
2.	Convoy or Independent	Independent.
3.	Time & Kind of 1st Hit	0200 - 2 torpedoes.
4.	Location of 1st Hit	#1 hold port side.
5.	Effect of 1st Hit	Extensive damage to hull. Fire started.
6.	Time & Reason for Abandonment or Why Not	0215 (15 min.)
7.	Persons Aboard - 71	Lost - 47, presumably from freezing to death.
8.	Time & Kind of 2nd Hit	0206 (6 min.) - 1 torpedo.
9.	Location of 2nd Hit	#4 hold port side.
10,	. Effect of 2nd Hit	Extensive damage and fire started in #4.
11.	. Disposition of Vessel	Sunk by gun fire of rescue vessel 1400 (12 hours).