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MEMORANDUM FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE CREW DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE,
WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION

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The Coast Guard has received information from a reliable source concerning Samuel Laster, formerly a utilityman on the SS JOHN C. S. BLACKBURN. Report alleges that Laster became mentally unbalanced 29 January 1944 in a foreign port and was sent ashore for examination. It was recommended by medical authorities that he not continue the voyage and he was, consequently, placed aboard the SS MARGARET LYKES for return to the U.S.

The Coast Guard will instigate whatever action may be warranted in this case.

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