

CONFIDENTIAL

JOSE NAVARRO

12/27/43

1. Position-Sea-Weather 08°20'N, 73°35'E; cloudy and calm.
2. Convoy or Independent Independent.
3. Time & Kind of 1st Hit 0412 - 1 torpedo.
4. Location of 1st Hit Between #1 and #2 holds starboard side.
5. Effect of 1st Hit Extensive structural damage; ship settled by bow; #1 hold full of water; #2 & #3 holds filling; screw more than half exposed.
6. Time & Reason For Abandonment Or Why Not 0500 (48 min.) - fear of further attack; Master tried vessel slow ahead, then slow astern; since no headway could be made, sent a distress message which was received by Colombo and abandoned ship. Reboarded ship at 0730 with 30 men for a general survey.
7. Persons Aboard - 166 Lost - 0.
8. Time & Kind of 2nd Hit 1210 (14 hrs. 48 min.) - 1 torpedo.
9. Location of 2nd Hit Unknown, starboard side.
10. Effect of 2nd Hit Extensive structural damage.
11. Disposition of Vessel Sunk 1218 (15 hrs. 3 min.).