

PART B (To be prepared by Coast Guard Representative).

(1) Name of vessel: LAERTES Type: SS

Nationality: DUTCH

(2) Name of Master: C. J. VAN HEEL

U. S. COAST GUARD (9)

(3) Owner of vessel: OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO.

REC'D AUG 12 1941

(a) Chartered by and under the exclusive control of:  
NETHERLAND SHIPPING COMMITTEE, LONDON, ENGLAND.

(4) Arrival within the jurisdiction of the United States:

Hour: ---- Date: 8 AUGUST 1941 Place: BOSTON, MASS.

Vessel moored at: ARMY BASE

(5) Desired departure from the jurisdiction of the United States:

Hour: --- Date: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Place: -----

(6) Last previous port: CRISTOBAL C.Z.

(7) Nature of service: CARGO

Purpose of visit: DISCHARGE

(8) Port bound to: NEWYORK

(9) Remarks:

Radioroom or equipment was sealed at: 1235 DST

Name and address of local agent:

PATTERSON & WILDE

Number of officers aboard: 14 Nationality: DUTCH AND

BRITISH

Number of crew aboard: 43 Nationality: CHINESE

15 GAS MASKS  
15 SUITS PROTECTIVE CLOTHING  
1 SMOKE SCREEN  
1 GUN EMPLACEMENT  
1 DEGAUSSING CABLE

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(9) Remarks:

GUNS: (Caliber, type, location)

ONE GUN: 4 INCH.

AMMUNITION: 40 SHELLS.

SMALL ARMS:

ONE DUTCH ARMY RIFLE.

S.A. AMMUNITION

200 CARTRIDGES.

MAGAZINE: (Location)

ONE; AFT.

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT:

YES.

GUN CREWS:

ONE.

REMARKS: (Note number of gas masks, gas protective clothing, smoke floats, gun emplacements, and whether equipped with Degaussing cable or not).

15 GAS MASKS  
15 SUITS PROTECTIVE CLOTHING.  
2 SMOKE SCREEN  
1 GUN EMPLACEMENT.  
1 DEGAUSSING CABLE.



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DESCRIPTION OF RADIO AND SIGNAL APPARATUS

10) TRANSMITTERS:

TYPE MARCONI 533 EMERGENCY AND MAIN COMBINED.  
MANUFACTURED BY MARCONI INTERNATIONAL COMM CO LTD.  
POWER 1/4KW  
FREQUENCY RANGE 600 TO 800 M  
FREQ. TO WHICH CALIBRATED \_\_\_\_\_  
600 660 705 750 800

11) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ANY SIGNALLING APPARATUS:

FLAGS - MORSE LAMP

12) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SEALING OPERATIONS:

TUBES REMOVED -- FRONT PANEL SEALED.

DATE: 8 AUG 41

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDERS OF THE COMMANDER BOSTON DISTRICT, SEALED THE RADIO APPARATUS OF THE ABOVE NAMED VESSEL. THE SEALS USED DONOT BEAR ANY SERIAL NUMBER  
~~XX~~

*O. R. Bold*  
O. R. BOLD, R.M.10 ~~RM10.~~  
SIGNATURE. ~~XXXX~~-RATE  
ATTACHED TO BOSTON DISTRICT.

PART C (TO BE PREPARED BY DISTRICT COMMANDER)

FIRST INDORSEMENT DATE: 8 August, 1941

FORWARDED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COMMANDANT, USCG.

*L.N. Baker*  
L.N. BAKER  
SIGNATURE

COPY TO BE RETAINED FOR  
1ST. FILES)

COMMANDER, U.S.C.G.  
RANK.  
COMMANDER, BOSDIST.  
(BY DIRECTION)

COPY TO:  
COMMANDANT, FIRST NAVAL DIST.

*[Handwritten mark]*

UNIT BOSTON DISTRICT OFFICE SS LAERTES  
(Name of armed merchantman)  
PLACE BOSTON, MASS. DUTCH  
(Nationality)  
DATE 8 AUGUST 1941 STEAMSHIP  
(Rig)

The arms, guns, and ammunition now on board the DUTCH  
(Nationality)  
STEAMSHIP LAERTES of which I am Master, are  
(Rig) (Name)  
hereby declared to be used for the sole purpose of defensive protection of this  
vessel and it is further declared that there is no intention to use such equip-  
ment offensively. This vessel has (has not) explosive cargo on board.

O. Va. Heel  
(Initials and name of Master of armed  
Merchantman).

It is the opinion of this office that the above-mentioned armament is  
carried for defensive (offensive) purposes only, provided that this vessel is  
employed in normal trade.

~~Subscribed and sworn~~

~~before me this~~

~~day of~~ 8 AUG. 1941. 1941.

O. R. BOLD, R.M.1C  
(Name-rank) Boarding Officer.

PETTY-OFFICER