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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE:

Subject: American SS LILCA; boarding of.

1. The following information, which mentions the names of two Navy radio men, is quoted from a report of a routine boarding of the subject vessel by a Coast Guard Officer on February 5, 1942 as being of interest in view of implications with reference to the safety of convoys.

"NAMES OF OPERATORS: E. A. Williams, Chief Radio man USN; Grandjean RMC/C USN.

"REMARKS: Put cord on main switch box cuts out all power on main transmitter. Pulled fuses out of switch box leading from battery to emergency transmitter. Regenerating receiver puts out beat-note since leaving San Francisco, jeopardizing entire convoy. (Directed remove)."

2. The Office of Naval Intelligence, 14th Naval District, is cognizant.

L. T. CHALKER,
Rear Admiral, U. S. Coast Guard,
Assistant Commandant.

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