



UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
CAPTAIN OF THE PORT
FOR NEW YORK HARBOR AND VICINITY

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ROOM 10, BARGE OFFICE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

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From: Captain of the Port of New York, Third Naval District,
To: Commandant,
Subject: Armed merchant vessels,

1. The Panamanian S/S LOOKOUT was inspected this date
and the following armament was found on board:

GUNS AND AMMUNITION: U.S. 4" mark IX mod. 5 No. 604, 1918. Elevation 30° / 10°.
Arc of train 360°. Telescopic sights. Located special raised platform after end
top-of after deck house 96-rds fixed ammunition.

SMALL ARMS AND AMMUNITION: 4-Lewis .30 cal machine guns. (Mounts: 2-wings of
bridge, 2-after docking bridge). 5900-rds machine gun ammunition.
1-Colt .22 cal pistol. 10-rds pistol ammunition.

MAGAZINE: In 4" gun strengthening. Flooded by hose only.

FIRE CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION: Telephone. 1-Barr & Stroud range finder.
Type 17. 1-meter. Located on flying bridge.

PERSONNEL: (7-in gun crew). Taken from ship's regular force.

MISCELLANEOUS: 6-Smoke floats; 6-igniters; 4-kites; flown from mainmast; 4-bomb
proof shelters, located (2) wings of bridge, (2) after end of boat deck, docking
bridge; armor plate around bridge and radiator room; hull DeGaussed (wired).

2. It is the opinion of this office that the above-mentioned arm-
ament is carried for defensive purposes only, provided the vessel is employed
for defense.

3. Inclosed are no photographs of this vessel showing
her guns and their location.

NOTE: No photographs if reinspected.

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