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UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE MARITIME COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

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September 10, 1941
September 13, 1941

Mr. R. P. Kramer has been received from London.
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. formerly chief officer
now master as well as the rest of crew of
Dear Mr. Kramer: are pre-Nazi even to extent
that ship might endeavour reach German controlled
port. Suggest referring to my telephone conversation
of this morning, you will find attached the sub-
ject matter discussed.

We have arranged that it will be greatly appreciated if you
will arrange it so that the officers and crew
of this vessel will be thoroughly investigated
as soon as it enters New York, and that the re-
sult and findings of this investigation will be
forwarded to this office promptly. reach New
York on 18th September.

In view of the fact that this vessel is
now at sea, and the possibility that it may not
go to New York, I am forwarding copies of this to
the Office of Naval Intelligence and to the United
States Coast Guard.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) PHILIP F. KING

Philip F. King
Assistant Director
Division of Maritime Personnel

Attachment

CC: U. S. Coast Guard
(with attachment)

Merchant Ship Control

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September 10, 1941

The following message has been received from London.

"Report has been received that particularly Eugene Van Schoenberg formerly chief officer now master as well as the rest of crew of tanker LUBRAFOL are pro-Nazi even to extent that ship might endeavour reach German controlled port. Suggest investigation on arrival of ship in N.Y. before clearance into area where such action might be taken."

We have arranged for our own Security people to investigate the matter in New York, but any action which you think you can take also to check on the good faith of the Master and crew of this ship will be valued. The LUBRAFOL should have left Aruba 9th September and should reach New York on 18th September.

JSM

J. S. Maclay