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PORT SECURITY SECTION

To: The Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard (L)

Via: DCGO, 12ND

Subj: R. P. PAOLI & CO., prosecution in United States District Court
for violation of Oil Pollution Act

Refs: (a) Commandant's letter 24 August 1943 to all DCGOs, on
subject of: Litigation; arrests and seizures; reports
to U. S. Attorneys; notice to HQ.
(b) Commandant's letter 18 August 1943, file CG-100.18 MIN,
on subject of: Enforcement of Oil Pollution Act.

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), the following report of a prosecution in United States District Court for violation of the Oil Pollution Act by subject company is made.
2. On 20 July 1945, while in the process of cleaning fuel tanks of the USS MONONGAHELA (AO42), docked at Marinship Corp., Sausalito, California, the superintendent of the R. P. Paoli Co., subcontractors in charge of said operation, permitted a large amount of oil to escape into San Francisco Bay as a result of negligence, violating the Oil Pollution Act of 7 June 1924.
3. As investigation by this office disclosed negligence on the part of said subcontractor, the matter was immediately placed in the hands of the United States Attorney, San Francisco District, for prosecution.
4. Court action in the matter was delayed until 28 November, 1945, when the subject case was tried in United States District Court, San Francisco. Subject company entered a plea of guilty of the charge of violating the Oil Pollution Act and was fined \$500.00.

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