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Office of  
Coast Guard Representative  
Philadelphia, Pa.

29 November, 1939.

Collector of Customs,  
Custom House,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In compliance with your request, I, this date, inspected the merchant vessel MONT EVEREST (French), and found her armament to be as follows:

Guns: 2 90 m m guns, mounted on gun platforms on port and starboard sides of after poop.

Ammunition: 96 rounds of high explosive shells.  
96 charges in powder bags.

Rifles: None.

Ammunition: None.

Magazine: Ammunition stored in two deck lockers immediately behind guns. Projectiles in racks and powder bags in metal containers. One hose connection located on after poop in fairly

Fire Control and Communication: Orders passed verbally from close proximity to ammunition lockers.

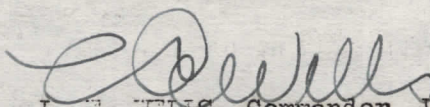
Gun Crews: Five Naval bridge to gun crews. No telephone.

Remarks: of gun crews made up from regular crew of ship. Both guns have full sweep aft and can be trained from approximately two points forward of each beam to dead astern; 16 smoke floats.

**This vessel examined at Wilmington, Del.**

It is my opinion this equipment is used for defense purposes, provided the vessel performs her normal trade only.

Respectfully,



L. E. WELLS, Commander, U. S. Coast Guard.

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