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OCEAN TANKER

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1. Position-Sea-Weather 22° 59'N, 46° 15'W; cloudy and slight
2. Convoy or Independent Independent
3. Time & Kind of 1st Hit 2035 --2130 (85min)- 36 shell hits and numerous hits from machine guns - continuous attack
4. Location of 1st Hit All over
5. Effect of 1st Hit Extensive structural damage. After 10 minutes ship became gutted with fire. Gun crew manned guns and tried to outfight surfaced sub.
6. Time & Reason for Abandonment or Why Not 22035(20min)- vessel afire and beyond control and was raining shells upon vessel, all the while maintaining a speed equal to that of the tanker on a parallel course
7. Persons Aboard- 62 Lost - 17.
8. Disposition of Vessel Sunk - 0200 (8hrs., 26min)-