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SUBJECT: Standard Oil Company of New Jersey Ships Under Panamanian Registry.

TO: A. C. of S., G-2, War Department Washington, D. C.

- 1. A report has been received from Cleveland, Ohic, in which it is stated that the source of this information is unquestionable, to the effect that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey now ships under Panamanian registry, transporting oil (fuel) from Aruba, Dutch West Indies to Teneriffe, Canary Islands, and is apparently diverting about 20% of this fuel oil to the present German government.
- 2. About six of the ships operating on this route are reputed to be manned mainly by Nazi officers. Seamen have reported to the informathat they have seen submarines in the immediate vicinity of the Canary Islands and have learned that these submarines are refueling there. The informant also stated that the Standard 311 Company has not lost any ships to date by torpedoing as have other companies whose ships operate to other ports.

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