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Subject: JAYNES, Earl Jack Van, Radio Operator, Merchant Marine Service.

Subject, radio operator aboard the SS PADREWSKI, submitted to the Investigation Section, South Pacific Force, a fourteen page complaint against the Master of his ship alleging sabotage of his radio equipment. Immediate investigation was conducted by the Naval Intelligence Service in Noumea, New Caledonia and various Naval Districts in the United States. Investigation disproved Subject's allegations, and by careful interrogation of Subject it was ascertained that he is anti-American, admitted pro-Japanese and pro-German sympathies, denounced the foreign policy of the United States Government, admits previous employment with Japanese fishing fleet off Mexico-California coast as radio operator knowing employers to be reserve officers in the Japanese Navy, attended "Bund" meetings in Buenos Aires in 1940-1941, and the discovery of considerable questionable material among Subject's personal effects.

On the basis of information developed by the investigation and upon the complaint of the Master of the vessel charging insubordination and possible subversive activities, Subject was tried by General Court Martial at Noumea, New Caledonia, found guilty on the former charge, and sentenced to six months in jail. Subject returned to the Receiving Station, San Pedro, California to serve his sentence. The file of the entire investigation was made available to the U. S. Coast Guard for administrative action and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation informing the latter that Subject would be released from prison on 13 December 1943, at which time the Office of Naval Intelligence would have no further jurisdiction over Subject inasmuch as the Secretary of the Navy, on 20 October 1943, disapproved his further employment as a radio operator on ships of United States registry pursuant to authority vested in him by Act of 17 December 1941 (Public Law No. 351, 77th Congress, 1st Session) as amended by Act of June 28, 1943 and Defense Communications Board Order No. 3 dated 25 March 1943.

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