

NAVY DEPARTMENT
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
OFFICE OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON

AUG 28 1940

In reply refer to No.

Op-16
A7-1/QM/"Yachting"(8-7)
Serial No. 669116

From: Chief of Naval Operations.
To: Judge Advocate General.

SUBJECT: Photographing naval stations or strategic areas.

Enclosure: (A) Letter dated 14 August 1940 addressed to
Comdr. H. R. Thurber, with its enclosures.

1. Referring to the attached correspondence, information is requested as to whether or not there is any law under which legal action can be taken

- (a) against the individual who took the enclosed photograph
- (b) to prevent the taking of such photographs in the future.

2. This information is requested as a basis for a reply to the inquiry from the Public Relations Officer of the Third Naval District, whose query is attached hereto.

W. S. Anderson,
By direction.

Dictated by Adm. Anderson
Dictated 26 Aug. 1940
Typed by S. Waesche

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In reply, address
Commandant, Norfolk Navy Yard,
Portsmouth, Va.

NORFOLK NAVY YARD
PORTSMOUTH, VA.

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Refer to
File No. N38(54-CA)

RECEIVED 7 JULY 1940
July 8, 1940.

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From: The Commandant.
To: The Chief of Naval Operations (Director of
Naval Intelligence),
Subject: Automobile bearing New York state license
4-J-501 - Taking of pictures by occupant of.
Enclosure: (A) Report of Yard Detective, July 6, 1940,
(H.W.)

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith, with the
request that this report be referred to the District Intelli-
gence Officer at New York for investigation into the registra-
tion of the automobile involved, or for such action as the
Director of Naval Intelligence may deem appropriate.

By direction of the Commandant,

CHARLES F. GREENE,
Lieut. Comdr., U.S. Navy (Ret.),
Aide to the Commandant.

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Saturday 6 July 1940

MEMO FOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

Around 1:10 p.m. this date the Officer of Day Marine Barracks reported that the sentry on Yard Post #4 stated a man drove up to Gate #10 outside of Navy Yard, climbed on the hood of automobile and was taking pictures of south end of Navy Yard with a moving picture machine. He was turning the machine at all angles. Before the Duty Officer could get to #10 Gate the man drove off. The sentry got the license # of the Car. It was 4-J-501 New York state license. Gate #10 is opposite where the new dry dock is to be built, also views can be gotten of Pier 5, Pier 4, Building Ways, etc., from #10 Gate.

/s/ ANDREWS

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