## U. S. S. ERIE

1 July 1940

Guayaquil Ecuador S.A.

Dear Sir;

Just to remind you that today July 1 1940 is the good ship ERIE 4th birthday, and to let you know that the eight (8) plank owners still left aboard remembers our first Executive Officer on the ERIE. We wish you luck where ever you go.

The plankies left are,

MUSTO, V. COM

SLAYTON, R.N. BM lc

WHITON, C.C. HM 1c

CARTER, W.E. HM 2c

BITTING, F.E. MM lo

LAFFERT. H. MM lo

DANCS, L. MM 2c

and myself VAN HOOSER, A.J. SF lc

This is the 4th time wehave been across the line, and we have had plenty of fun.

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