

No. 1600

~~WRECK SECTION~~ 10016

# REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &C.

No. 35821 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 76/40 Date of writing this report Box 281 19

Vessel's Name Steel S S Uruguay of Buenos Aires Tons { Gross 3425 Net 1866

Built at Slikkerveer When 1921 9 Casualty notice sent to Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Owner's reply \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name Cia. Argentina de Nav. Mihanovich, Ltda.

Address Cargallo 300, Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic.

Case previously before Classing Committee.	Date	Particulars of Classification.	
Last Minute		†100A1 4.40	†LMC
		Shelter dk. with freeboard	BS. 5.39 MS. 11.38
		Fitted for oil fuel etc. 9.21	TS. 4.40. CL
		ss. No 3-4.34.	
		ss. No 1-39	

Date of Casualty 27th May, 1940.

Précis of particulars of Casualty Sunk by time bomb from a submarine about 160 miles off Cape Villano, north west Spain, on 27th May, 1940.

### SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

**URUGUAY.**—Coruna, May 29.—Argentine steamer Uruguay, cargo maize, was sunk by submarine off Cape Villano during night of May 27. Thirteen members of crew arrived here, another lifeboat with 14 men missing.

Buenos Aires, May 29.—Steamer Uruguay was proceeding to Antwerp, with a cargo of 6000 tons of grain, when the Low Countries were invaded, according to her agents in Buenos Aires. She then tried to find a market elsewhere for the grain. She carried a crew of 28 under Captain Antonio Garcia, and left Buenos Aires on Apr. 26.—British United Press.

Buenos Aires, May 30.—It is officially stated that the Argentine Ambassador in Madrid has announced that the steamer Uruguay was stopped, searched and sunk by a time bomb after the crew had taken to the boats. The Government is awaiting fuller details before taking any action.—Reuter.

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Germany has issued a warning to the world that she is about to recommence U-boat warfare. She issued a special warning to neutrals not to enter the protection of British convoys, but on the same day gave an unfortunate example of what happens to neutral ships out of convoy, when a U-boat sank a South American neutral, the Argentine steamer Uruguay. She was proceeding independently to another neutral country—Eire—and was sunk 160 miles from land with the loss of 14 of her crew of 27. A savage and lawless act.

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*[Handwritten signatures and initials in blue ink]*

Suggested Record \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee's Minute \_\_\_\_\_

~~7 JUN 1940~~

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