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EGYPT WARNS U. S. ON ISRAELI CARGO

Examination Ruling Extended to Suez and Port Said, Ship Lines Notified

Egyptian authorities have notified the United States that its examination of ship manifests to uncover cargo destined for Palestine had been extended to the ports of Suez and Port Said, according to information received by local shipping companies yesterday.

Egyptian authorities already had served notice that such cargo was subject to seizure on order of the military authorities because of the hostilities between Arab and Israeli forces.

The notice added one more problem to those already complicating the shipping of cargoes or passengers to Beirut, Haifa, Alexandria and other eastern ports. The shipping lines received the notice from the United States Maritime Commission.

Maritime officials said they were unable to decide how to proceed in the absence of advice from the Department of State on what line the United States Government planned to take in the crisis.

Officials of American Export Lines announced some days ago that they had diverted one lot of cargo bound for Haifa, and that other shipments might be rerouted unless the situation was clarified.

The companies receiving notice yesterday included American Export, T. J. Stevenson & Co., Stockard Steamship Corporation, States Marine Corporation, A. L. Burbank & Co., Funch, Edye & Co., Barber Lines, Isthmian Steamship Company, Boise Griffin Steamship Company, Isbrandtsen Company, the Fall River Navigation Company, Norton Lilly & Co., Kerr Lines, and J. W. Elwell & Co.

The notice sent to the companies and agents of the commission, based on the Fifth Military Proclamation of the Egyptian Government, said no threat of requisitioning of searched ships had been suggested.

No further incidents were reported yesterday. The major case affecting American-flag ships involved the Government-owned liner Marine Carp, from which passengers were removed by the Lebanese at Beirut. The Marine Carp is due back in New York on June 4 and is scheduled to sail again on June 11 for the same ports, including Haifa and Alexandria.

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