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DEFICIENCIES FOR FIRE AND ABANDON SHIP DRILL

1. Fir drill was a simulated class A fire in Ø3-92-2 (Deck Office) Repair I was dispatched to the scene and extinguished the fire with water from two hoses. Action by zone personnel was slow.
2. Deficiencies;
 - a. Zone personnel required prompting before closure were made.
 - b. A number of velocity fog applicators are corroded and will not fit fire hose nozzles.
 - c. Repair I fire party required prompting in fire fighting procedures.
 - d. Life lines were not furnished, only two O B A men at the scene.
 - e. Communication from repair I to DC Central were very slow both in responce to DC Central and in reporting progress at the scene.
 - f. O B A men were not familiar with thier equipment. Required instruction after drill.
3. At boat drill all starboard boats were launched.
4. Deficiencies;
In general the drill was very slow and most boat commanders required prompting and instruction by observers and the First and Second Officers. Numerous minor deficiencies were noted such as boat hooks, blankets not furnished, sea painters slack, standing in boats, sweep oars not made ready, etc.
5. Boat #13, two men, bow and stern tender were allowed to ride the boat up the trackway.
6. Material;
 - a. Whistles were not attached to life jackets.
 - b. Sea painter instructions are not marked.
 - c. Sea painter toggle missing from #11 boat.
 - d. Witness marks on davits to high - #7, #9, #11 davits.
7. No. 11 davit sounds like a bearing is gone.

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SAFTY DEFICIENCIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1-D Pipe railing around Ø2 deck level from frame 154-2 to 158-Ø has a jury rigged line to supplement rail.

1-R Suggest that a 3 course rail be installed in this area on port and stbd sides and across after railing.

2-D Eight acetylene cylinders stowed at 1-15Ø-1 and 23 oxygen cylinders stowed at 1-15Ø-2

2-R CFR 147-Ø5-1ØØ limits ship to 3ØØ cu. ft. oxygen and 6ØØ cu. ft. acetylene

3-D Inspection plate over exhaust pipe for diesel generator at 1-191-2 is missing.

3-R Replace plate.

4-D Lifeboat floodlights would require the use of tools in order to adjust in training.

4-R Install clamps or means so that lights can be adjusted by hand Ref. CG-259 Art. 111.5Ø-15 (e) (2).

5-D No. 1 boat forward end and No. 2 boat after end. The pin that supports the hinged keel rests are badly distorted and bent.

5-R Renew pins.

6-D No. 11 lifeboat. The protective metal shield over the horizontal fall is partially adrift where it is secured to rail.

6-R Secure metal cover

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