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CONVENTION FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931 AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

#### UNITED KINGDOM

SEIZURE OF 3 KILOGRAMMES 487 GRAMMES OF OPIUM AT NORTH SHIELDS 11 MARCH 1947

Report No. 80 Communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom 19 April 1947

## Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 23 of the Convention for Limiting the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs of 13 July 1931, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following report on the above-mentioned seizure to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

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HOME OFFICE (DRUGS BRANCH)

LONDON, S. W. 1.

Date 19 April 1947

### SEIZURE REPORT

- 1. Date of seizure: 11 March 1947.
- 2. Place of seizure: NORTH SHIELDS
- 3. Name of Person etc. implicated: UNKNOWN
- 4. Name of ship: M/V "CLAM"
- 5. Coming from: ABADAN
- 6. Date of leaving first port: No information
- 7. Destination and date of arrival: NORTH SHIELDS 11.3.47.
- 8. Ports of call: SINGAPORE, ABADAN, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA AND ANTWERP

/9. Owners

- 9. Cwners or nationality of ship: SHELL-MEX Coy. (BRITISH OIL TANKER)
- 10. Kind and quantity of drug seized: OPTUM 7 lbs. ll ozs. in all (3 kg. 487 gr.)
- 11. Origin of drug: (marks, labels, etc.) No marks or labels. Apparently of Iranian origin.
- 12. Where shipped or forwarded from: -
- 13. Forwarding Agents or consignor: -
- 14. Destination or address: -
- 15. Remarks: During a rummage by Customs and Excise Officers the opium was found concealed in the following places: behind the winch on the forcastle deck head; under the platform forming the base of the refrigerator engine; underneath the firing step of the port gun position; beneath a pulley block on the starboard side of the centrecastle; also in the barrel of a gas-ejector fastened to the bulkhead. Every effort was made to trace the owners without success.

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16. Legal proceedings penalties. No proceedings possible.