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SCTY DIV/Opns 3d Ind 15 February 1952  
SUBJECT: John J. Sheehan, Z-153154-D1

G2, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500, 18 March 1952

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, Department of the Army,  
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Attention is invited to 2d Indorsement, Ryukyus Command, dated 1 March 1952.
2. No further information is available in this headquarters.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G2:

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R. S. BRATTON  
Colonel, General Staff with Troops  
Deputy

MEMO FOR RECORD:  
Correspondence self explanatory.  
Inclosure 5 in Security Division  
File - subject: "Subversive Article,"  
dated 18 February 1952.  
C. K. W. 26-6574



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SCTY DIV/Ops 3d Ind  
SUBJECT: John J. Sheehan, E-123124-D1  
12 February 1952

GS, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500, 18 March 1952

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, GS, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C.

1. Attention is invited to 3d Indorsement, Rytvys Command, dated 1 March 1952.

2. No further information is available in this headquarters.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, GS:

R. S. BRATTON  
Colonel, General Staff with Troops  
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MEMO FOR RECORD:  
Correspondence self explanatory.  
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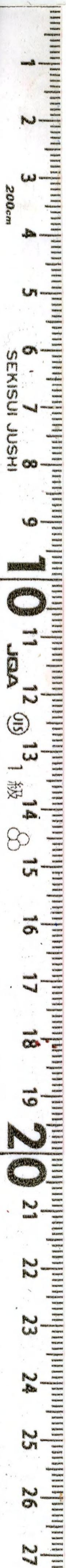
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Z-153154-D1

Office of the AC of S, G2, HEADQUARTERS RYUKYUS COMMAND, APO 331, 1 Mar 52

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, General Headquarters, Far East Command,  
APO 500

1. Denial of SUBJECT's shore leave was based upon information contained in Inclosure 3 to basic communication. This headquarters had not been informed of information contained in Inclosure 2 to basic communication.

2. Further, attention is invited to letter, this headquarters, file AIB 201-SHEEHAN, John J., Z-153154-D1, subject: "Subversive Article", dated 18 February 1952, (Inclosure 5), in which it was indicated that SUBJECT was aboard the S. S. Pacific Victory at the time the subversive article was found. Since this ship has departed numerous copies of the MCS Voice have been found in the United Seamen's Service Club on Okinawa. Investigation is continuing to ascertain the manner in which this publication is being received on Okinawa. SUBJECT will not be granted shore leave while on Okinawa until it can be definitely established that SUBJECT was not involved in the bringing of this publication to Okinawa.

3. It is considered that the action taken by this office was justifiable.

4. Results of this investigation will be forwarded upon completion.

/s/ H. G. SHEEN

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/t/ H. G. SHEEN  
Colonel, GS w/Troops  
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132 - 3rd St., S. E. CIO MARITIME COMMITTEE FRANKLIN 9090  
WASHINGTON 3, D. C.  
Joseph Curran, Chairman Hoyt S. Haddock, Exec. Sec'y

February 1, 1952

Honorable Frank Pace, Jr.  
Secretary of the Army  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It has come to our attention that one of National Maritime Union members, John J. Sheehan, Z-153154-D1, Boatswain of the SS Pacific Victory, was refused shore leave in Okinawa on January 21, 1952. This action was taken by the 526th Counter Intelligence Corps.

Mr. Sheehan has in his possession validated seamen's papers. These papers are official documents issued by the Coast Guard and indicate that he has undergone a security check, has been cleared, and is not considered a security risk.

We should like to hear from you as to the reasons for your personnel taking such action.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Hoyt S. Haddock

Hoyt S. Haddock  
Executive Secretary

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cc: Donald Shaffer, Chairman, SS Pacific Victory  
Vice-Admiral Merlin O'Neill  
Neal Hanley, National Maritime Union

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C O P YMVP  
6 February 1952  
Z-153154 D1

Mr. John Joseph Sheehan  
SS PACIFIC VICTORY  
c/o Moore-McCormack Lines, Inc.  
222 Sansome Street  
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your recent letter wherein you complain about not being allowed ashore at Okinawa while you were serving aboard the SS PACIFIC VICTORY.

The records at this Headquarters reflect that you were issued a validated merchant seaman's document under the provisions of the President's Executive Order 10173 at New York, New York on 10 April 1951. The authorization for the issuance of this document to you means that you are not now classed as a poor security risk by the Coast Guard under the President's Executive Order 10173. It is emphasized that the issuance of the specially validated document to you means that your activities as a merchant seaman in matters under jurisdiction of the Coast Guard will not be curtailed while you are in possession of this document. It does not imply, however, that you will be granted free movement and access to areas under control of other military authorities. This matter of free movement and access to areas under the control of other military authorities is of necessity a matter which is under the immediate jurisdiction of the local military authorities.

Should you desire to pursue this matter further it is suggested that you should communicate with the Department of the Army, Washington, D. C.

By direction of the Commandant.

Very truly yours,

H. T. JEWELL  
Captain, USCG  
Chief, Merchant Vessel Personnel Division

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.Op-32D4/jhw  
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Serial: 01700P32

1 Mar 1948

From: Chief of Naval Intelligence  
To: District Intelligence Officers,  
All Naval Districts;  
Potomac River Naval Command

SUBJECT: SHEEHAN, John Joseph, Z-153154

1. In a report dated 3 December 1947, it was stated that an informant, described as reliable, reported that SHEEHAN was a member of the Communist Party or a Communist Party sympathizer.

2. U. S. Coast Guard records indicate that SHEEHAN was born in Jersey City, New Jersey, on 12 August 1919. His address is stated to be 425 West 24th Street, New York, New York; next of kin, wife, Helen, whose address is given as Cape Vincent, New York. He is described as being 5'9½", with brown eyes and hair and a fair complexion. U. S. Coast Guard records further disclose that he last shipped on the SS MARINE FLASHER, from 9-4-47 to 10-2-47 as an AB seaman. In addition to his service aboard the SS MARINE FLASHER, SHEEHAN has served as Boatswain aboard the SS MARTIN BEHRMAN; SS MAYFIELD VICTORY; SS WOODSTOCK VICTORY; and the SS WASHINGTON.

3. The above report is forwarded for information.

/s/ William Abbott

/t/ William Abbott  
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/s/ A. J. Sutton

/t/ A. J. SUTTON, MAJOR, GS

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15 Feb 1952

Mr. Hoyt S. Haddock  
 Executive Secretary  
 CIO Maritime Committee  
 132 - 3rd St., S. E.  
 Washington 3, D. C.

Dear Mr. Haddock:

Reference is made to your letter of 1 February 1952 relative John J. Sheehan Z-153154-D1, and letter from United States Coast Guard to Mr. Sheehan, dated 6 February 1952 concerning the issuance of his merchant seaman's document.

The action referred to in the above reference was taken by the local commander at Okinawa, on the basis of existent information. The notification of Mr. Sheehan's clearance by the United States Coast Guard on 10 April 1951 was received by the Department of the Army on 8 February 1952. Appropriate dissemination will be made within the Army Establishment.

It is desired to point out that security is the responsibility of the local commander and the fact that Mr. Sheehan was cleared, and is not now considered a security risk by the United States Coast Guard, in no way diminishes or alleviates this responsibility.

It is a pleasure to have been of assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. H. Phillips  
 /t/ J. H. PHILLIPS  
 Brigadier General, GS  
 Deputy AC of S, G-2

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SCTY Div/Opns 1st Ind 15 February 1952  
SUBJECT: John J. Sheehan, Z-153154-D1 - Shore Lv

G2, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500, 27 February 1952

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, Ryukyus Command, APO 331

It is requested that this office be furnished information upon which to base a reply.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G2:

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R. S. BRATTON  
Colonel, General Staff with Troops  
Deputy

MEMO FOR RECORD:  
Correspondence is self explanatory.  
Inclosures are petitions asking  
explanation for denied shore leave.  
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15 February 1952  
SCTY Div/Opns  
SUBJECT: John J. Sheehan, E-123124-D1 - Share In

GS, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500, 27 February 1952

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff, GS, Ryukyu Command, APO 331

If it is requested that this office be furnished information upon which to base a reply.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, GS:

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R. S. BRATTON  
Colonel, General Staff with Troops  
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MEMO FOR RECORD:

Correspondence is self explanatory.  
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explanation for denied shore leave.  
Lt Col Gray 26-6603

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2, INTELLIGENCE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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SUBJECT: John J. Sheehan, Z-153154-D1

15 Feb 1952

TO: Commander-in-Chief  
Far East Command  
APO #500, c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, California  
Attention: A C of S, G-2

1. The attached inclosures are furnished for your information and action deemed necessary.

2. In event that denial of Subject's shore leave was based on information other than as indicated in Inclosure No. 3, it is desired that this information be furnished the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army, immediately as a basis for reply to any subsequent inquiries relative Subject.

/s/ J. H. Phillips

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1. Ltr fr CIO Maritime  
Comm. dtd 1 Feb 52  
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2. Ltr to Mr. Sheehan  
dtd 6 Feb 52 fr Chief,  
Merchant Vessel Pers.  
Div. (photo)
3. Ltr dtd 1 Mar 48 fr  
Chief of Naval Intell (cy)
4. Ltr to CIO Maritime Comm  
re Sheehan (cy)

/t/ J. H. PHILLIPS  
Brigadier General, GS  
Deputy AC of S, G-2**SECURITY INFORMATION**

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