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The Ministry of Defence (MoD) would like to relocate two memorial plaques which are presently situated at Gun Wharf on one of the stone buildings which is currently undergoing renovation and refurbishment by the Government of Gibraltar as part of Project Euston and the 2011 Land Agreement between them and the Ministry of Defence.

This report is a brief outline of the plaques themselves, their location and the proposed Options for relocation on the American Memorial on Line Wall Road.

Current location at Gun Wharf, Ragged Staff, Gibraltar
These plaques are currently located on the east facing wall, one on the main gable pier and the other on the body of the stone wall itself.

Plaque no. 1 at Gun Wharf, Ragged Staff, Gibraltar

Plaque no. 2 at Gun Wharf, Ragged Staff, Gibraltar

It is proposed that these be relocated at the expense of the MoD to one of several Options to the American War Memorial on Line Wall Road.
BRIEF HISTORY
Plaque no. 1

Photo #: NH 42003
USS Chauncey (Destroyer # 3)

Memorial tablet erected by the Officers and men of Destroyer Squadron Fifteen in memory of the three officers and eighteen enlisted crewmen lost with Chauncey on 19 November 1917.

The tablet was probably dedicated following World War I, possibly at Gibraltar.

U.S. Naval Historical Center Photograph.

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Photo #: NH 90282  
USS Chauncey (Destroyer # 3)

Dedication ceremonies for a memorial tablet erected by the officers and men of Destroyer Squadron Fifteen in memory of the three officers and eighteen enlisted crewmen lost with Chauncey on 19 November 1917.

The ceremonies probably took place following World War I, possibly at Gibraltar.

Collection of Vice Admiral Thomas T. Craven, USN. Courtesy of Lieutenant Rodman Dekay, Jr., USNR (Retired), 1979.

U.S. Naval Historical Center Photograph.
Photo #: NH 42002

**USS Chauncey** (Destroyer # 3)

Memorial tablet erected by the officers and men of Destroyer Squadron Fifteen in memory of the three officers and eighteen enlisted crewmen lost with Chauncey on 19 November 1917.

Photographed during the dedication ceremonies, possibly at Gibraltar, after World War I.

_U.S. Naval Historical Center Photograph._

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USCGC Tampa and USCGC Seneca memorial plaque

This tablet, photographed following World War I, was dedicated to the memory of the 115 officers and men of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Tampa who lost their lives when she was sunk on 26 September 1918, and to the memory of the eleven officers and men of the Coast Guard Cutter Seneca who were lost while attempting to salvage the British S.S. Wellington on 17 September 1918.

Collection of Vice Admiral Thomas T. Craven, USN. Courtesy of Lieutenant Rodman DeKay, Jr., USNR (Retired), 1979.

U.S. Naval Historical Center Photograph.
The preferred location is at the top of the steps and on Line Wall Road facing into the square as shown above. Here they would be independent of other plaques having pride of place on their own, giving their own state of importance.
Option 2 – second choice

Here again showing the importance placed on the memorials they would have their own standing and stature.

One memorial would be placed either side of the main arch.
Option 3 – third choice

If not acceptable on the main square at the top of the steps then as shown the preferred location would be here again facing into the greater space giving equal standing to the memorials.