

Vickers-Armstrongs, at their Barrow-in-Furness shipyard, handed over the destroyer Aragua to the Venezuelan Navy. The ship is the third destroyer of her class built at Barrow for Venezuela since the war. When the formalities were completed she was received by the Chief of the Venezuelan Naval Commission, Commander Vale.

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Commander Vale referred to his Navy's association with Barrow and the Mayor was present ~~at the ceremony~~. To command Aragua is Commander Gamez. He will take the ship on a ~~preliminary~~ work-up in the English Channel before crossing the Atlantic. Aragua, 2,600 tons, ~~is not~~ long makes a useful addition to the Venezuelan fleet.