

L.S.T. 3519 "EMPIRE BALTIC"  
L.S.T. 3534 "EMPIRE CEDRIC"  
L.S.T. 3512 "EMPIRE CELTIC"  
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Colonel Bustard and Captain Miskin called at this Office to-day with reference to the above vessels, and stated that they proposed to carry in the motor transport goods including those of a perishable nature, and they desired to be informed if this would affect the class and draught already assigned to these vessels.

The bottom of the flat on which the vehicles will be carried is about 11'-6" above the keel and therefore with the draught previously assigned, this flat will be 6" below the water line. The bow doors are being retained but the water-tight doors on the fore peak bulkhead will always be closed and strong backs fitted. Nevertheless, it is considered that as a precautionary measure the draught should not be above the flat.

Colonel Bustard and Captain Miskin agreed that 10'-6" draught would be sufficient for their purposes, and provided the draught be limited to this, it is considered no exception need be taken to the vessels being used in the manner described in the first paragraph of this endorsement.

It is therefore submitted the record in the Register Book respecting the draught be amended from 12'-0" to 10'-6".

The London Surveyors should also be advised.

25th November, 1946.

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*Amended freeboard assignment letters sent to Owners & London Surveyors 27/11/46.  
Records in R.B. will be dealt with when amended freeboards are marked and verified.  
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