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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

10th January, 1946.

Sirs,

Reverting to your letter of the 21st ultimo respecting the "DOURO", I have to acquaint you that the Philadelphia Surveyors' report has now come to hand, and it appears that freeboards have been fixed there in accordance with the tables for steamers.

It appears, however, that sufficient sails have been provided for navigation under sail alone, and under the terms of the Mine Convention the vessel must be considered to be a sailing ship.

In the circumstances I shall be glad if you will discuss the case with the Portuguese Authorities and let me know whether the freeboards as a sailing ship are to be reassigned, or whether they are applicable to the case being dealt with as a steamer.

I may say that particulars of the freeboards as a sailing ship were forwarded to you on the 21st May 1943.

Yours faithfully,

Surveyors,

pro Secretary.



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