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s/s "NIKOBAR", "SERAMPORE", and "TRANQUEBAR"

Letter from Mr. Kruhoffer, Copenhagen,  
14.7.48.

These cases are being dealt with under the arrangements for provisional class set out in the Secretary's letter of the 23rd May, 1946. Full classification cannot be assigned until the Special Survey is completed. As the present A.B. Certificates will, no doubt, expire and the vessels become due for the full Special Survey of that Society in 1949, it is considered the Owners' convenience could best be met by the completion of the Society's Classification Survey (now partly held) before or at that time.

Submitted Mr. Kruhoffer be advised as above, and also informed as follows regarding each of these ships:-

"SERAMPORE": Built March 1945; 100A1 Class Contemplated.

This vessel has the notation "Examined 4.48" valid until 4.49.

To complete the Special Survey for classification and render the vessel eligible for full classification with this Society with a notation of Special Survey, the following remains to be done:

Examination of F.W. D.B. Tanks under Engine and Boiler Room.

Examination of After Peak Tank.

Testing of all Double Bottom Tanks, Deep Tanks and Fore Peak Tank.

The tunnel watertight door also requires to be altered to comply with the requirements of the Rules. If it is not practicable to carry out this alteration at the completion of the Special Survey, arrangements should be made for it to be done at the first possible opportunity and the class of the vessel would be subject accordingly.

*no doubt*

As the A.B. Certificate will expire in March, 1949, that is approximately at the same time as the vessel's L.R. Examined Certificate, it is suggested that the Owners should make arrangements for the completion of the above mentioned items of Special Survey before or at that time, so that the Class could be assigned in the Society's Register Book and Classification Certificates issued. Meanwhile the present provisional class with the record "Examined 4.48" remains valid. *(Subject to Corroded bottom plating being specially examined at next dry docking)*

"TRANQUEBAR": Built June 1945; 100A1 Class Contemplated.

A record of "Examined 6.48" is now recommended by Copenhagen Surveyors, Report No. 12447, valid until 6.49. To complete this Society's Special Survey for classification and render the vessel eligible for full classification and notation of Special Survey, the following remains to be done:

Vessel to be examined in dry dock.

Examination of Double Bottom Tanks in way of Engine and Boiler Room.

Testing of all Double Bottom and Deep Tanks.

Tunnel Watertight Door to be dealt with as in the case of the "SERAMPORE".

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The A.B. Certificate in this case will no doubt expire in 6.49, approximately at the same time as the Society's Examined Record, and the same remarks apply as for the s/s "SERAMPORE" regarding the completion of the Special Survey ~~required by this Society~~, and issue of Classification Certificate  
(Subject to intended Shell plating at Owner's Convenience)

"NIKOBAR": Built May, 1945; 100A1 Class Contemplated.  
The Examination Record in this case expired in 4.48.

To complete the Special Survey for classification the following remains to be done:

Vessel to be examined in dry dock.  
F.W. D.B. Tanks under Machinery Space and Peak Tanks to be examined internally.  
All D.B. Tanks, Deep Tanks and Peak Tanks to be tested.  
Anchors and Cables to be examined and verified with the Certificates, and the Chain Locker examined internally.  
Tunnel Watertight Door to be dealt with as in "Serampore" the other vessels.

In this case the A.B. Certificate will expire in 5.49. It is suggested that the items to complete the Special Survey of this Society should be carried out before or at that time. The present provisional class may meanwhile be continued provided the vessel be generally examined for an Interim Examined Record which became due 4.48.

It is to be observed that, in the case of the "TRANQUEBAR" and "NIKOBAR", the Special Survey could have been advanced during the recent drydocking ~~at Kiel, except but~~ <sup>that</sup> for the unfortunate misunderstanding by which the Society's Surveyors at that port were informed the Owners' had no intention of completing outstanding Surveys.

Machinery

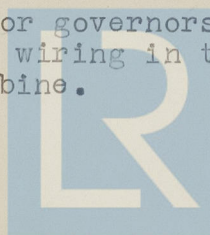
NIKOBAR ) survey completed subject to a spare propeller  
SERAMPORE ) being supplied.

Confirmation is required that the electric cables from the emergency generators consist of 4 cables 7/.024" diameter.

TRANQUEBAR

To complete the machinery survey for a Record LMC 4,47 Subject to a spare propeller being supplied, the following are required.

- (1) Test main electric generator governors
- (2) Fit protection to electric wiring in the holds
- (3) Open up and examine LP turbine.



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