

Original letter with:..... " STRATHBLAIR "

Copy of ~~Extract from~~ letter received fromNAME Surveyor,ADDRESS Lagos.

Reference, if any:.....

Dated..... 16.6.55 Received..... 20.6.55 Answered.....

~~Vessel's Name:~~

I was recently informed by the local representative of the Nigerian Shipping & Trading Co. Ltd., that the affairs of the Company were being re-organised on account of trading losses.

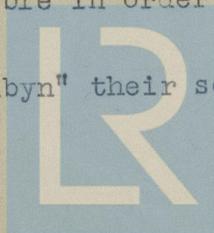
The trawlers, "Strathblair", "Strathalbyn" and "Strathcathro" all classed with the Society will be affected by the reorganisation and this letter is to give you an indication of the present position and future Policy.

At the moment the "Strathcathro" is the only Trawler in service, the crew of the "Strathblair" having returned to U.K. and vessel together with "Strathalbyn" is now laid up.

As you are aware it was intended to complete the Special Survey on "Strathblair" in August. The present difficulties now make this impracticable and in consequent it is thought that the vessel will have to be sold.

Alternatively the Owners have considered applying for an extension until February next when a normal year of grace would expire. It is hoped that the "Strathcathro" will improve the Company's trading position by August and should an extension be granted it is considered likely that the "Strathblair" could be brought back into service about that time, the outstanding repairs having been progressed but not completed. The Owners Representative here would be grateful to learn whether an extension until February is possible in order to plan the Company's future Policy.

Regarding the "Strathalbyn" there seems little doubt that this will be sold for scrap.



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