

EMPIRE KUMASI

Messrs. W. Hamilton & Co's Yard No.465. (Ykt FE Rpt)

Rule Dimensions:- 425' x 56' x 27.75' to 2nd deck  
36.92' to Upper deck.

*Empire Talisman*

The Glasgow Office reported in October, 1943, that this ship was to be built as a sister to Messrs. Lithgows' Yard Nos.997/8, and plans of Midship Section, Profile and Decks submitted for No.465 had been found or made equivalent to those approved for Yard Nos.997/8., (Y7 type).

The Greenock Surveyors were informed, with reference to the Builders' proposal to stop the second deck stringer at the toe of the frames in way of the insulated spaces, that it was assumed this arrangement was as desired by the Admiralty.

In December, 1943, it was proposed to use in this ship a cast steel sternframe already made for a slightly smaller vessel. The matter was referred by the D.D.M.B.(H) to this office, and he was informed as per copy of letter attached, a copy of this letter being sent to the Glasgow Office.

In September last the Glasgow Office reported that this ship was originally arranged to be insulated in the holds, and on this account the increase of .08" required to be made to the thickness of the tank top plating under the hatches in lieu of ceiling was omitted, but the insulation work had been cancelled, the material for the tank top was already in the yard and the Builders were not hopeful of being able to secure ceiling. The Glasgow Surveyors were informed that the matter had been discussed with the D.D.M.B.(H), who desired that compensation should be provided for the omission of the ceiling in way of the hatchways by fitting half round bars welded or riveted to the plating and spaced 18" apart.

There is nothing further in the correspondence affecting the First Entry Report which is not covered by the approved plans.



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