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Vessel's Name:

We would advise you that due to the international situation and the essential need to maintain oil supplies, particularly to the U.K., at the present time, it has become a matter of prime importance to re-activate the following vessels of our Fleet now laid up at various ports throughout the world. The vessels are:-

LATIA and LINGA laid up at Falmouth.

MACUBA laid up at Rotterdam.

AGATHA, ARMILLA and LISETA laid up at Singapore.

JULIETA, LINDA, LUCIA, MATILDE, ROSAURA and RUFINA laid up at Curacao

MARPESSA, we shall also require to retain this vessel in class after the expiration of the Freeboard Certificate on the 1st December, 1956.

It will therefore be appreciated if the Committee will give urgent consideration to these cases and inform us soonest of their minimum requirements to bring these vessels back into service and continue the class for a period of about six months, which action is due entirely to circumstances beyond our control.

It will be noted some of the ships are of comparatively small tonnage but it is none the less essential to bring them back into service in order to relieve much needed deep sea tonnage at present employed on comparatively short voyages.

Thanking you for your attention and awaiting your further advices.



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