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DATE 7th March, 1957.

The Secretary,  
Lloyd's Register of Shipping,  
71 Fenchurch Street,  
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Dear Sir,

We would refer to earlier correspondence respecting reactivation of the undermentioned ships previously laid up at Curacao and now operating in the Curacao/Lake Trade for limited periods:

s.s. "MATILDE"	due for Special Survey	August 1956.
"JULIETA"	" " " "	May 1956.
"RUFINA"	" " " "	July 1957.
"ROSAURA"	overdue for Special Survey	December 1953.
"LINDA"	due for Special Survey	February 1956.
"LUCIA"	" " " "	February 1955.

all of which were submitted for special General Examination or Modified Survey in December/January and obtained a 6/7 months extension of class in the above Trade.

We now have to advise you due to the tanker tonnage position consequent upon the continuation of the Suez affair, we find the services of these ships will still be required for some 18 to 24 months after expiry of the present period of class. We therefore propose to submit them for a modified Special Survey at Curacao as opportunity offers and by the time their present extension lapses, with a view to obtaining a further extension of class of say 1½ to two years.

These ships will continue to be employed in the Curacao Lake Trade, for that period.

In making this proposal it should be understood that all reasonable repairs required by your Surveyor at Curacao to ensure the safety and

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satisfactory operation of the ship for the proposed period will be dealt with, whilst boiler and other surveys falling due during this period will be carried out as the vessels come in for annual drydocking and repairs.

As this is becoming a matter of some urgency we shall be pleased to learn the Committee's reaction to our proposal also your requirements in this connection.

Thanking you for your attention.

Yours faithfully,  
SHELL TANKERS LIMITED.

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