

Transversely Framed Tanker "SKOTAAS"

Category "A"

This case is stated in endorsement dated 29th ultimo when the Owner was asked to make arrangements to strengthen the deck at an early date.

The Oslo Surveyors now forward a letter from the Owner stating that he has never been unwilling to effect strengthening, but has only asked for postponement until the Autumn, so as to combine this work with the usual drydocking and machinery overhaul. He points out that no signs of fracture have been observed in this ship, which has run satisfactorily for 22 years, and has been well maintained.

The Chief Ship Surveyor's Department comment as follows:-

"From the technical point of view, the submission of CSS of 27.1.53, that stiffening may be deferred until Autumn provided service is limited to Singapore - Sumatra - Borneo, is still valid."

*E.W.B.*

19th February, 1953.

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*with Bl*  
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