

MR. BELL

s.s. "ASIA ENTERPRISE".

On 25th July 1966 we sent to Rotterdam a copy of our letter of 22nd to the Hong Kong Surveyors, in which it was explained that by a Modified Special Survey we meant that the ship should be drydocked and completely opened up as for Special Survey, repairs being limited to those considered essential for the period of service nominated by the Owners.

On 22nd November we asked Rotterdam to confirm that "the tanks and spaces were all examined and repairs carried out for the period of the Modified Special Survey, and that no repairs other than listed will be required for the full Special Survey notation". They replied in the affirmative, but qualified this by saying that further repairs or renewals might be necessary after the removal of pipe casings etc.

Before saying to the Owners that they will now have to carry out a full Special Survey, in addition to dealing with the outstanding Rotterdam recommendations, would it not be prudent to ask the Rotterdam Surveyors to confirm that the ship was in fact fully opened up for Special Survey in accordance with our instructions, and that they are prepared to recommend the assignment of a four year Special Survey notation of 9.66 on completion of recommended repairs, without re-examination of further items other than those listed in their Report No.64236?

*[Signature]*

1st February 1967.

*The parts listed in Rotterdam Rpt N° 64236 to be examined & dealt with at mean that all compartments of the ship will require to be re-examined.  
(in dry dock)*

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