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Copy of letter from Andhra Trading Co, Bezwada, dated the 12th January 1950, to Lloyds Register of Shipping, Calcutta.

Sir,

Re-H.M.I.S. "CALCUTTA".

Since my last letter dated 4th Dec'49 and your reply for the same dated 7th Dec'49, I beg to inform you, that I have dropped the idea of bringine the ship for alterations to Calcutta, and proposed to do them at Vizagapatam only, where she is now located.

Since sellers did not supply me with the required complete set of drawings, of the ship, I am able to obtain by great exertion some prints only such as, Lower Decks, Tank capacity curves, Pillars and Girders, Midship Section, Framing plan, Docking plan, Shell expansion only.

The other information required by you such as test certificates of material of construction, plans and drawings of the machinery such as boilers and Engine, are not obtainable.

The builders inform that they have been returned to the Government along with the ship.

So the only alternative now open is, for you to make out the required information by examining the ship. On my part I could furnish only the above mentioned plans and plans of proposed alterations.

To enable you to register the ship, I want to know if you can depute, your surveyor, who is staying at Vizagapatam, to look at my ship, and prepare the required drawings. In such case please inform me your charges for the same, as well as for registration and classification.

I understand that one ship of the same type basset trawler, namely Fatima, belonging to East and West Steam Navigation Co, of Karachi, has been registered and classified by Lloyds. This is to suggest that this ship of mine is also of same construction and material.

Yours faithfully,

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