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Telegrammi: Surveyors, Genova

Genoa, 18th March, 1959.

Dear Sir,

RECEIVED
21 MAR 1959
Ans'd
" MIRADOR "

The above tanker was built at Messrs. Ansaldo Sestri last year and chartered to the United States Navy as an air-arm oiler and was destroyed by explosions last December in Turkish waters.

The U.S. Navy are now undertaking an enquiry into the causes of the two explosions which finally sank the ship with loss of life.

For the purpose of this enquiry the U.S. Navy wish to obtain certain pumping plans etc. of this vessel and have received permission from the Owners Messrs. Embiricos, London, to request these plans from the builders Messrs. Ansaldo.

Messrs. Ansaldo are however most reluctant to release these drawings and finally referred the U.S. investigating Officer to this office with the statement that if Lloyd's Register wished to release the plans on their own responsibility Ansaldo would have no objections but they would not do so themselves.

It has been explained to the Naval Officer concerned that no plans can be released by us without permission from Head Office and it is understood that he is to approach Messrs. Embiricos with a request that they obtain this permission from Head Office.

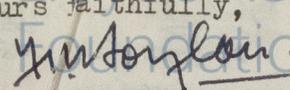
This letter is written so that the background behind the request which is likely to be received from Messrs. Embiricos in the near future will be understood.

Yours faithfully,

The Secretary,

LONDON.

FNB/mb


PRINCIPAL SURVEYOR FOR ITALY

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Handwritten initials and signatures in purple ink.

no action will be taken from the owners

Mr Baylan should be thanked for his attention to this matter and informed that this office pending a request

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