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The Secretary,
LONDON.

28th March, 1966.

Dear Sir,

S.S. "W.D. ATLAS"

With reference to your letter of the 19th January, 1966, in connection with the steering arrangements of the above vessel, we enclose a copy of a letter dated the 24th March, 1966 from the Owner's Chief Mechanical Engineer and duplicate copies of Drawing Nos. AT 00366 and AT 00366/1 - "Plate Rudder" and "Rudder Stock" - detailing their proposals with a view to placing the steering arrangements in an efficient condition without the addition of the relief tackle as recommended.

The rudder and stock have been unshipped with the vessel afloat, and upon examination ashore, it was confirmed that the stock was twisted as previously reported (Refer Whyalla Rpts. 8 & 9A No.840 dated 8/12/65). The vertical $4\frac{1}{4}$ " diameter extending from the steering machinery to the deck was examined in place and found in good condition.

X It is understood that the new proposed rudder stock is in the course of manufacture at Sydney, N.S.W. and tentative arrangements have been made for the recommended steering machinery repairs and proposed modifications to be carried out afloat at this port during the 2nd week of April, 1966 on completion of the present dredging contract when the vessel will also be prepared for the proposed voyage to Fremantle.

Your views and comments on the Owner's proposals and request with regard to the relief tackle would be much appreciated.

Yours faithfully,
The Surveyors,

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