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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

High Close, Wokingham, Berks.

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Dear Sirs,

With reference to previous correspondence regarding deeper loading of vessels of your fleet, I beg to acquaint you that the undermentioned cases have now been examined in this office, and provided the Surveyors are satisfied with their condition, these vessels will be eligible for deeper loading subject to the alterations stated being carried out:-

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| "SARAWAK" | Locking bars to be fitted to No.1 Hatchway. |
| "RADHURST" | Locking bars to be fitted to No.1 hatchway. |
| "EMPIRE STOUT" | Locking bars to be fitted to No.1 hatchway. |
| "HAMPTON LODGE" | Locking bars to be fitted to No.1 hatchway. The freeing port area to be increased to $17\frac{1}{2}$ and $18\frac{1}{2}$ square feet on each side in the forward and after wells respectively. The side coamings of Nos. 1, 2, 4 & 5 hatchways on the freeboard deck to be fitted with horizontal bulb angle stiffeners, the stiffeners to be supported by brackets or stays from the deck to the stiffener. The end coamings to be similarly protected where, in the Surveyors' opinion they are not adequately protected. |

I await the receipt of a further communication from you in due course as to when and at what port these cases will be dealt with.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Messrs. J. & C. Harrison, Ltd.,
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