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Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

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AIR MAIL

Dear Sir,

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With reference to your first entry report No.4553 on the steamer "RIO MINHO", I would like your confirmation on the following points as arranged while you were in the London Office, viz:-

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1. Has the upper deck stringer plate been doubled as amended on the approved plan in view of the increased width of the hatchway?
2. Has the centre line bulkhead in the forward ballast tanks been stiffened as amended on the approved plan?
3. Have the hatch beams and covers in No.1 lower hatchway been modified, as indicated on the approved plan, or if this has not been done, have the Owners given their consent to the notation "Light cargo only in No.1 hold" being made in the Register Book? (See Secretary's letter dated 29. 8. 49.).
4. As the plan of pillars and girders required for consideration and approval has not yet been received in this Office, you should state whether this matter is receiving attention.
5. It is concluded the solid floors in the double bottom are 6' apart as shown on the plan and not 8' apart as reported.
6. What alternative means of steering have been provided?
7. What arrangements for the fitting of ceiling under the hatchways are being made?
8. What is the thickness of the inner bottom plating.

You should also confirm that in all other respects the requirements of Special Survey for classification have been complied with.

MACHINERY. Two copies of the revised pumping arrangements are being returned under separate cover (air mail) and I have to confirm that the arrangements as shown and amended thereon are such as could be accepted.

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