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Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

High Close, Wokingham, Berks.

14th May, 1942.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to the correspondence which took place between us last year respecting the steamer "SINGKEP", I think it well to point out that when the vessel was under survey at Sourabaya from April to June the full requirements of a Special Survey No.3 were carried out as part of the requisite survey for classification. The Sourabaya Surveyor, however, did not forward any structural plans or particulars of scantlings as are required for first classification with this Society, and on the 21st October last a letter was addressed to him on this point. Pending a reply and with a view to meeting the Owners as far as practicable, the Committee at that time assigned to the vessel the notations referred to in my letter of the 31st October, namely, "LOCAL - Classification Contemplated" and "Examined 6.41." indicating that the vessel was considered to be in an efficient condition for twelve months from that date.

This period of grace will shortly expire and no reply has been received or is of course now likely to come to hand from Mr. Vrouwewes, the Surveyor in question.

It is accordingly open to the Owners either to arrange for the scantlings of the hull and machinery to be verified with a view to full classification being assigned which would maintain her character in the Register Book for four years from 6.41. or for her to be submitted to a further General Examination so as to advance the date of the existing Examined record for another twelve months.

I shall be glad to have your views in the matter, and would add that I shall be calling in our London Office on Wednesday morning next, the 20th instant, in case you would prefer to discuss the matter personally.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

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