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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

29th June, 1922.

Dear Sirs,

I duly received Mr. Preston's letter of the 16th ultimo forwarding a description of Fukao's patent oil lubricated stern tube with packing gland as fitted in the S.S. "SAMARANG MARU", and have to acquaint you that the description and sketches have been carefully examined and it is considered this type of oil lubricated stern tube with outside packing gland is such as can be approved for use in vessels classed or intended for classification with this Society.

In all cases where this arrangement is fitted to the screw shafts of classed vessels the provisions of Section 37, Clause 3 of the Engine & Boiler Rules will apply, viz;- the screw shaft to be drawn at intervals of not more than three years.

A notation of O.G. will be inserted in the Register Book, Column 7, in the case of the "SAMARANG MARU" and other vessels built by Messrs. Mitsubishi Zosen Kaisha's Kobe Works which are similarly fitted, and I shall be glad if you will forward a list of the vessels fitted with these glands so that the necessary records

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may be made.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

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