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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA

Osaka, April 11th 1921.

H. Jasper Cox, Esq.
Lloyd's Register of Shipping.
K O B E.

Dear Sir:-

We are very sorry to inform you that we have decided to withdraw our S/S "Chosen Maru" from your Society's Class.

As you well know, every seafaring nation of any interest has its own classification society, and it was a long felt want to have one in our country. The time has at last arrived to start a classification society in this country, supported by all concerned in shipping, shipbuilding and insurance circles, and approved by the Government, also getting every facility from the British, American and Italian classification societies on account of an alliance made between them.

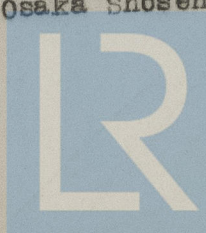
We think it our duty and right to support our own classification society and to use it to our best advantage, and we hope you will understand in a good sense the steps we have taken in this matter.

It is our intention to class some parts of our cargo steamers to our own classification society, but the society has not sufficient capacity to take up all steamers at once on account of short period from its inauguration, so that we shall have, for the present, classed only those of which the special survey become due.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) T. Z. Nakane

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