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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

24th January, 1947.

Dear Mr. Van der Weel,

I am much obliged to you for your letter of the 11th instant regarding the Motorship "DEMOCRAAT" and am desired to call attention to the following points:-

1. In the third paragraph of your letter it is stated that two independent bilge pumps, each of 6 tons capacity, were fitted on this vessel, whereas only one independent pump was indicated on the plan submitted to this Office, nor was any other bilge pump shown.
2. It is noted that an auxiliary compressor has now been fitted on board the vessel, so that the Society's requirements regarding number of pumps and compressors appear to have been complied with, although the capacity of the pumps is still less than we are prepared to accept.
3. Since the Bureau Veritas table of requirements given in our letter of the 23rd ultimo has been found by you to be correct' it appears that in the case of the M.S. "ZWANTIENA" the practice of the Bureau Veritas does not agree with their published requirements if they are prepared to accept a single bilge pump.

With kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,

P. H. Van der Weel, Esq.,
ROTTERDAM.