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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

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Dear Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you, for the confidential information of the Committee of Lloyd's, that on Friday last the Sub-Committee for Classification had under consideration the case of the steamer "PLADDA" which is not yet recorded in the Society's Register Book.

S. The facts are somewhat unusual as the vessel, which is of about 450 tons, was built by Messrs. Cook, Welton & Gemmell Ltd., in 1941 as a minesweeping trawler for the Admiralty, and was classed with this Society as A- Steam Trawler, "For Government Service". In accordance with the arrangements then existing her particulars were not entered in the Society's Register Book.

Recently, however, it came to the Committee's knowledge that she had been converted to a cargo ship and has been trading between Bangkok and Singapore with a provisional load line certificate issued by the Surveyor-General of Shipping at Singapore.

Mr. K. Gythfeldt, the Norwegian Owner, asked for the continuance of classification but modified from a trawler to a cargo ship.

The Society's requirements were detailed to him and it was arranged that for a provisional class in the Society's Register Book the vessel should be examined in dry dock at Singapore.

Having regard to her unsatisfactory condition at that survey, however, the Classing Committee consider her unfit for any class with Lloyd's Register and have accordingly given instructions for her particulars now to be entered in the Register Book as a disclassified ship.

Yours faithfully,

The Principal Clerk,
LLOYD'S,
London, E.C.3.

Clerk to the
Classification Committee

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