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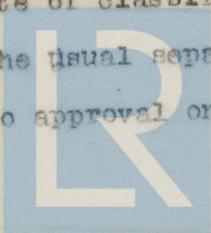
24th October, 1916.

Dear Sirs,

I duly received Mr. McNab's letter of the 15th ultimo with enclosures as therein advised, respecting the assignment of provisional freeboards to Messrs. The Union Iron Works Co's S.S.No.127, and have to inform you that the matter has received very careful consideration.

With regard thereto I am directed to state that the General Committee have decided to deal with such cases under the regulations existing prior to the new Rules indicated in Circular No.1285 relating to passenger steamers, and the freeboard will therefore be provisionally assigned in accordance with Table C, as in the case of the s.s. "MATSONIA".

I have to point out that in the case of the vessel now referred to the freeboards assigned and marked will be entered in the certificate of classification and recorded in the Register Book, but the usual separate freeboard certificate certifying to approval on behalf of the Board of



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Trade under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts  
cannot be issued, as the freeboards ~~wial~~ not be in accordance  
with the present British regulations.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,

Secretary.

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