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18th January, 1946.

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"VIRGEN DE LA ESPERANZA" As you are aware, consideration of this has been postponed pending the receipt of the ^{enquiry} regarding the loose coupling made in my letter of the 16th instant, the meantime I would remark regarding the hull that it is not ed sparring or lining and a well with hand pump suction have been sted at the collision bulkhead as in the case of the "VIRGEN DE LA ESPERANZA", also that the remaining requirements of Section 20 of the Rules have been complied with where applicable, but I shall be glad to learn whether this is so and at the same time to receive details of the scantlings of the flat plate keel angles of the main keelson. With regard to the remarks in your letter of the 16th instant regarding the Classification Certificates for this ship you will appreciate that they will not be issued until the plans have been submitted to the Committee after the receipt of the information now desired from you.



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