

25th November, 1949.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 21st instant regarding the steamer "MINASLOIDE" ex "AUGUSTA" and while we appreciate the original Owners position, we are naturally anxious to avoid being involved in any dispute which may arise between them and the Brazilian Government on points of detail in the matter of classification.

In order to obviate this, therefore, I am forwarding to the Rio de Janeiro Surveyor by air mail a statement of the particulars of classification as desired by Messrs. Andrea Zanchi and requesting him to forward this to the Brazilian Government together with a notification of the request now forwarded by you.

If, therefore, Messrs. Zanchi will ask the Brazilian Authorities for this statement, it will at least regularise our position in this somewhat difficult case of involved ownership.

Please inform the original Owners of the action taken and of the reasons which have decided our course of action.

A. T. Griffith, Esq.,
GENOA.

Yours faithfully,
Clerk to the Classification Committee