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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

16th October, 1929.

Dear Sirs,

I duly received Mr. Balfour's letter of the 12th instant respecting the freeboard marking of the motor vessel "RIALTO", and the contents have been duly noted.

It is observed that in this instance the statutory deck line has been amended and placed at the intersection of the steel upper deck with the vessel's sides, but that the disc and its accompanying seasonal lines have not been altered. It is assumed therefore that in accordance with the new Italian Law, Italian freeboard certificates have been or are now being, issued, but you should confirm this.

As freeboard is a condition of the class of this vessel, you should forward a verification of marking form giving the freeboards as actually marked on the vessel's sides, in order that the records in the Register Book may be amended. You should further arrange for the British Lettering to be removed from the vessel's sides, and should return the freeboard certificates issued by this Society for cancellation.

At the same time I think it well to inform you that instructions for dealing with vessels to which Italian freeboards are now being assigned are being forwarded to Mr. Turnbull, the

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Society's Principal Surveyor in Italy, and the necessary instructions will be issued by him to the Society's Surveyors at the various ports in Italy.

Copies of the letters regarding the case of the "RIALTO" are also being sent to Mr. Turnbull for his information.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,
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