



# CONFIRMATION OF LETTER

LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING

MEIKAI BUILDING

No. 32, AKASHI MACHI,

10 MAR 1930

KOBE, 3rd. February 1930.

TELEGRAMS: "REGISTER" KOBE

TELEPHONE: 2530 SANNOMIYA

The Secretary,

LONDON.

M.V. "NONAI MARU"

Messrs. Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Yard No.164.

Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 27th. December regarding the moulded depth, draught and other particulars on the First Entry Report of the above vessel, which was sent off during my temporary absence from Kobe.

The Registered Depth in the case of this vessel was measured to the original upper deck, viz, 10'-6" and the under deck tonnage does not include the space between that deck and the so-called Harbour Deck.

As this vessel is classed with the Japanese Government for "Small Coasting Service" no load line is required by law and no freeboard assignment has therefore been made by the Government or any other body.

I note on the First Entry Report that the draught moulded has been entered as 10'-6". This is an error as there is no official draught moulded, and this

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space should have been left blank.

The additional, so-called Harbour Deck was fitted by arrangement with the Owners in order to increase the height of the working platform above the water line when the vessel was carrying her full specified deadweight.

The space between the upper deck and the Harbour Deck or working platform is drained by means of 2½" diameter scuppers with screw down valves controlled from above the exposed deck and draining through the ship's side below the original upper deck. Three of these scuppers are fitted on each side of the vessel, one forward, one aft, and one at about the middle of this space referred to.

It is suggested that the depth moulded should be recorded in the Register Book as 10'-6" the same as the registered depth, and the first and second longitudinal numbers should be corrected on the First Entry Report to 1459.5 and 4795.5 respectively.

So far as the scantlings of this vessel are concerned, freeboard is not a condition of class.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,



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