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LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING

UNITED WITH THE BRITISH CORPORATION REGISTER

71, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C.3

15th October, 1956.

Dear Sirs,

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I acknowledge your letter of the 24th September concerning certain entries which appear in the Society's Register Book against the names of some of your ships.

With regard to item one in your letter, I would point out that in the case of the "SAN FRANCISCO" there is a notation in the Register Book that this ship is classed with the Bureau Veritas and a similar notation appears in the Supplement for the Steamer "SAN FERNANDO".

In the other cases mentioned by you, it is concluded the Society's Surveyors at Hong Kong have already conveyed to you the reason for the expungement of class in each instance, and there would be no object in going over the ground again.

Should you wish specific details in each instance I will of course send them on hearing from you, but in general the position is as follows:-

"CAMRAY BREKEE" Class expunged October, 1955
owing to Boiler Survey due 7, 54,
and Special Survey due 4, 55 being outstanding.

"CLERE BREKEE" Class expunged October, 1955
owing to Boiler Survey due 7, 54,
and Special Survey due 7, 55 being outstanding.

"HEPEAN BREKEE" Class expunged March, 1956,
owing to there being known wastage
which required repair, and a Special Survey due
in August, 1955, not having been held.

"YANRA BREKEE" Class expunged September, 1955,
owing to the Special Survey due
8, 54 being still outstanding.

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You doubtless know that the Society's Rules, Paragraph B.1402 provide that:-

"When the Regulations as regards surveys on the hull or equipment or machinery have not been complied with the ship thereby is not entitled to retain her class, the class will be expunged and the notation "Class Expunged - Non-compliance with Regulations" (with date) will be made in the Supplement and, in due course, in the Register Book",

and it appears that each of these cases fall within the category of surveys not having been complied with.

When no periodical surveys are due and the Owners decide to discontinue classification, a notation is made in the Register Book of "Class withdrawn at Owners' request".

The Committee feel that the decisions recorded correctly reflect the position when the ships went out of class and do not consider that any alteration in the entries in the Register Book in this respect is justified, and I trust that on further consideration of the facts mentioned in this letter, you will agree that the action taken by the Committee is entirely in accordance with the Rules of this Society.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Clerk to
the Classification Committee.

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