

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

Ocean Chambers, Lowgate,

Hull, 29th March, 1940.



Dear Sir,

With further reference to the case of the ex German Steamer "IXIA", (ex Hagen) the representative here of the Union Castle Co. has raised the question of the necessity for drawing the tail shaft at this time.

This shaft is stated to have been seen in Durban, by a local consulting engineer. But while arrangements are being made now for drydocking, there seems to be a difficulty in getting the time and labour for drawing the shaft.

Before the classing of the vessel is complete it will require to be done, of course, but if it appears to be in order from external examination, we shall be glad to learn if the Committee would be agreeable to waive the examination of the tail shaft until some later date.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,

Per:-

John Shackleton

The Secretary,
LONDON

