

25th August, 1950.

Dear Mr. McMillan,

With reference to Mr. Clay's memo of the 14th instant reporting that the steam trawler "SEDDON" is still laid up and that no decision has yet been reached concerning her future, it would be the Committee's normal practice to have assigned a notation in the Register Book of "Laid up pending survey" had this been a cargo ship.

They appreciate, however, that trawlers are now being laid up in increasing numbers and that so far as the trawler companies are concerned, they mostly appreciate that outstanding surveys must be held before their ships are re-commissioned for fishing.

We don't want to post the Register Book with the notation referred to above for trawlers unless there is any question of them being laid up for sale, in which case the notation is a safeguard for prospective purchasers.

Perhaps, therefore, you will enquire and let me know whether there is any question of sale in this case, and if not, whether you are satisfied that the Owners are fully aware of their responsibility for the overdue surveys before recommissioning.

With kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,

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