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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

9th July, 1915.

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 30th ultimo enclosing the usual letters giving particulars of the freeboards assigned to the S.S. "HAWAII MARU", and to my cablegram of that date, I have to inform you that a representative of the Builders has called at this Office and stated that they desire to obtain a freeboard corresponding to a Summer draught of 28 feet.

With regard thereto I have to state that in view of the fact that the vessel is intended to carry passengers below the shelter deck, it is regretted that it is not possible to reduce the freeboard to that corresponding to the proposed draught, but that if no passengers be carried below the shelter deck, the freeboard may be reduced to 13'-2" for all Seasons.

I have therefore cabled you today at the request of Mr. Kojima as follows, viz:-

"HAWAII MARU in view vessel intended carry
"passengers below shelter deck impossible reduce
"freeboard to that corresponding twentyeight feet
"draught but if no passengers below shelter deck
"freeboard could be reduced to thirteen feet two for
"all Seasons".

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Your account has been debited with the sum of
£4-2-3 the cost of the cablegram in question, and I
shall be glad if you will be good enough to collect
this amount from the Builders.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

A.L.Jones, Esq.,

KOBE.



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