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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

11th January 1923.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to your First Entry Report No.12292 on the S.S."KURMARK" I have to state that the scantlings and arrangements given thereon and on the plans have been carefully examined and it is found that the framing, double bottom, beams and shell plating are equivalent to the requirements of the Rules, but that the topside materials are somewhat deficient.

It is noted that sketches of profile and panting arrangements will be forwarded as soon as they are prepared.

I have to state that you should examine very carefully the strengthening in the double bottom in way of the widely spaced tubular pillars, as it would appear from the sketch of midship section that these are stepped directly on the top of flanged floor plates, and that no additional strengthening is fitted.

In view also of the distance between the quarter girders and the hatch side coamings, viz, 2 ft. 6 ins., the vessel should be carefully examined at this part in order that it may be seen if any permanent deflection has occurred in way of the side coamings.

On receipt of a report from you upon these points, the

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case will be further considered, and any additional strengthening which may be required will be indicated.

You should also state the connections at the tank margin -- whether the angles outside the margin plate are double or single, and whether gusset plates or a continuous connecting plate are fitted.

In view of the method of scarphing the framing in the deep 'tween decks in way of the bridge, it will be necessary for additional web frames to be introduced at this part.

On account of the deficiency in the topside materials, the sheerstrake or strake below should be doubled from within the bridge to about half length amidships; the exact extent of the doubling will be indicated on the profile plan when it is received.

With regard to your telegrams respecting the hatch covers I have to confirm the reply which has today been sent to you by wire, viz:-

KURMARK (Vessel's name)

AXLEWI.....Hatch covers
EJTID.....should be

FLILC.....three
EKKYM.....inches

EKELM.....thickness
EKPOG.....where

HAMUX.....webs
EJXEG.....spaced--apart

FLIRT.....six
EFJUF.....feet

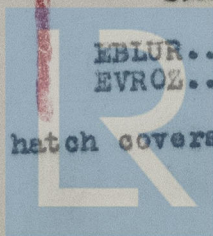
EDOZY.....but
FIEDS.....3½"

ECTAZ.....above
EKEDA.....that

SPACING

EBLUR.....Replying by letter
EVROZ.....Today

It is noted that the hatch covers will require extensive renewals.



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I have to add that the requirements of Section 43 of the Rules for vessels not built under survey must be complied with, and that in view of the age of the ship the full requirements of the Special Survey No.3 should be carried out.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

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