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## Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

28th May, 1919.

Dear Sirs,

M. I duly received Mr. Gilmour's letter of the 23rd instant respecting the S.S. "~~BARCO VAN VII~~" Messrs. Sir Raylton Dixon & Co's. No. 617, and in reply to his various inquiries, I am directed to inform you as follows:-

- (1) The Society will be prepared, in this instance, to dispense with dry-docking and drawing of tail shaft.
- (2) The Society will not require the tanks to be re-tested.
- (3) The chain cables may be accepted without being ranged, subject to your satisfying yourselves from the Certificates that the chain cables are as required, and have been seen by the British Corporation Surveyor, who will, in that case, have endorsed the Certificates. The numbers on the outer lengths of the cables can still be checked, and the marks on all the anchors can be compared with the Certificates.
- (4) The drilling of the shell is not considered necessary provided you examine the Builders' records and the invoice notes, and satisfy yourselves regarding the scantlings.
- (5) If the new Owners desire freeboard certificates to be issued by Lloyd's Register, the British Corporation assignment letter and also the certificate, if issued, should be returned to that Society.

On receiving the formal application "Request 9" from the Owners, you should forward the usual freeboard report 11b, in order that freeboards may be assigned by the Committee and certificates issued on the vessel's completion.

I am, Dear Sirs,  
Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,  
MIDDLESBROUGH.

Secretary.