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MEMORANDUM

From : LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING,

71, FENCHURCH STREET,
LONDON, E.C.3.

(Ref. R.)

To: The Surveyor(s) at BUENOS AIRES

Date: 6th January, 1964.

Vessel's Name: m.s. "ALBACARA"

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QUESTION

ANSWER

I shall be glad to receive an early reply to my memorandum dated the 9th December.

Date:— 27th. January 1964.

Contents of your letter was passed to Owners on the 18th. Dec. we also indicating verbally later the full requirements for all outstanding Surveys to enable an up to date record (Hull and M/cy) to be recommended. Recently a visit was received from Supt. and again he was made aware of requirements.

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An immediate request was made for deferment, which not being forthcoming resulted in vessel drydocking yesterday 26th. inst. and request for Senior Surveyor's personal attendance to this vessel. On attending it was readily apparant that no real intention had been made to comply with Rule requirements for S.S. we being now informed vessel was in Owners opinion in such good condition that a drydocking inspection should suffice, dock was available for 3 days which completely prevented any possibility of carrying out repairs Known necessary as per S.R.L. Failure to agree to this arrangement could lead to withdrawal of Class, and as no arrangements had been made for inspections Surveyors were forced to leave vessel with nothing accomplished, Lack of co-operation has always been app-

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apparent by Owners it having on at least 3 occasions resulted in visits to out of port area only to find vessel either not arrived or survey requirements absolutely ignored by way of preparation.

Whilst at moment of writing we remain to be informed officially of Owners decision it is thought more than likely we shall see vessel's Class transferred to another Society, needless to say on Owners condition.

A. G. Prichard



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