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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

4th November, 1930.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, forwarding one received by you from the Builders of the oil barge "SERVICE ABELL VI", and with regard thereto I have to request that you will inform them that the freeboards assigned to this vessel are the minimum permitted by the Regulations, and that there is no difference between the British and French Regulations for vessels of this type and size.

With reference to their statement that the freeboard is 13 mm. more than the provisional assignment, they should be informed that this slight increase is due to the fact that the length on waterline of the barge is now reported to be 130.1 feet, instead of 129 feet as given originally.

They should be further informed, with regard to the question of length correction for barges under French Law, that the French Freeboard Regulations require the length correction to be applied to all vessels dealt with under the Table for sailing vessels, and therefore no modification

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can be made in the freeboards assigned to this vessel.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

N.V. Kirkley, Esq.,

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