



# LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING

UNITED WITH THE BRITISH CORPORATION REGISTER

AIR MAIL

17 Battery Place,

New York 4, N. Y.

July 7, 1955

The Secretary

LONDON

Dear Sir:

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S/S "ANDROS HILLS" <sup>Ans'd</sup> - D	S/S "CHRYSSI" - D
S/S "ANDROS ISLAND" - D	S/S "JOHN P.G." - D
S/S "ANDROS SEA" - D	S/S "MASTER PETER" - D

As I believe you are aware, sometime ago the Orion Shipping and Trading Company intimated that they proposed to discontinue the dual classification of the above vessels, classing them only with the American Bureau. At that time we were able to persuade Mr. Panagopulos that it would be in his own best interest to retain our classification.

I regret to advise you that I have now received a letter from Mr. Panagopulos stating that the Owners of the vessels find it inconvenient to arrange for two sets of Surveyors at any particular classification survey, and have therefore decided to discontinue our classification. A copy of Mr. Panagopulos' letter of the 30th ultimo in this connection is enclosed herewith.

I saw Mr. Panagopulos personally on this question, hoping to persuade him that if one classification society alone were to be maintained, perhaps it would suit the Owners to allocate some of the vessels solely to Lloyd's Register and others solely to the American Bureau, pointing out that this has, in fact, been done by other companies. He considered the idea attractive and has promised to bear it in mind in future cases, but stated that in the cases of the vessels at present under consideration listed above, chartering or other arrangements are such that American Bureau classification has to be maintained.

Under the circumstances it would appear as if there is not much more that we can do in the matter, and I have accordingly



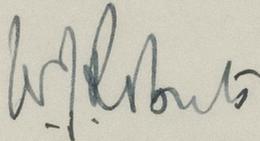
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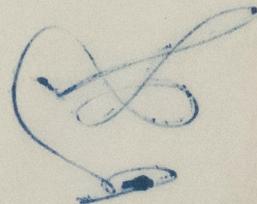
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advised Mr. Panagopoulos <sup>that</sup> the Owners decision regarding  
the classification of these vessels has been transmitted  
to you.

Yours faithfully,



Principal Surveyor, U.S.A.



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