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Telegrams: Committee, Fen, London

Telephone: ROYal 9166

24th March, 1958.

Dear Sirs,

Motorship "VASCONIA"

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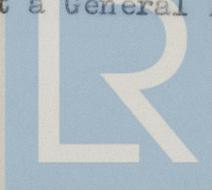
I acknowledge your memorandum of the 14th instant and have reported the position to the Committee.

In reply they have instructed me to say they consider that the Owners should come to some definite decision in regard to maintenance of class, seeing that a Special Survey became due last September and no report of examination of the ship in drydock since March, 1956, has been received in this Office; moreover the survey of both screwshafts also became due last September.

The Committee consider that this is a case in which, owing to the difficulty of carrying out surveys and repairs at St. Vincent, the Owners would be well advised to withdraw from classification with this Society, and I shall be obliged if you will suggest this matter for their consideration.

If a request for withdrawal from class is received at an early date, the Committee will be prepared to assign a notation of "Class withdrawn at Owners' request", but it should be appreciated that if no decision is soon reached, the Committee at a later date will have no alternative but to expunge class owing to non-compliance with the Regulations.

In view of the above, I shall be obliged if you will endeavour to encourage the Owners to arrive at a definite decision, for if class is to be maintained there is little doubt whatever that the Committee will require at least a General Examination for



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further postponement of the overdue Special Survey, and they will not be agreeable to the drydocking being postponed for more than a few weeks.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

The Surveyors,
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