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Reference

Classn. (S)

16th May, 1961

Dear Sir,

"SLITAN"

In accordance with cabled instructions :

SLITAN DRYDOCKING VARNA 3RD/4TH MAY ACCOUNT
 GROUNDING PALEMBANG 6TH MARCH STOP AT OWNERS
 REQUEST ARRANGE ATTEND CONTACT POSEIDON LTD GALATA
 QUAY İSTANBUL FOR VISA ----- and also:

SLITAN REURCAB SECOND YES CIRCULAR 2183 IS
 APPLICABLE BUT NOT KNOWN HERE WHETHER RUSSIAN
 REGISTER REPRESENTED AT VARNA STOP PROVIDED
 YOU SATISFIED SURVEYOR IS AVAILABLE THERE ADVISE
 OWNERS AGENTS OF POSITION OTHERWISE ARRANGE
 PROCEED THERE -----

I proceeded to Varna 3.45 9th May on telephonic
 advise that vessel would be in dry dock on 10th May
 and assumed at Varna, 5.30 pm 10th May. The vessel
 was boarded 10th May, and deck and Holds, bilges etc.
 examined, and recommendations for minor repairs made.

Due to congestion, the vessel was not placed
 in dock until pm. 13th May and the Examination in
 dock held on Sunday 14th May. It was then stated
 that the repairs recommended would not be taken in
 hand immediately but would be effected in 4-5 days.

As I considered it unadvisable to be absent from
 Istanbul for any longer period, I departed from Varna,
 7.40 pm. 14th and arrived in Istanbul midnight 15th/

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16th May (with 6 changes of trains and 2 frontiers to cross).

The vessel will in the next few days be transferred to the Bulgarian flag and Registered in Varna, and be owned by the Navigation Maritime Bulgare. The vessel's name has not yet been decided, but the purchasers have stated that they have received a form from London, requesting the details, and they will be forwarded when known.

The prospective Owners were informed that from records available a Boiler Survey was due, and were requested to advise us when, and where the Survey was to be held.

Opportunity will be taken at that time to examine the repairs recommended during the docking and annual Survey.

As the Surveys were held outside of Turkey it is not proposed to send the invoices from this office and I will be obliged if you will send invoices from H.Q. to Mr. Paulsen c/o Saturn Co. Radhusgt. 8, Oslo for £100.- for the surveys.

Opportunity was taken to call on the U.S.S.R. Registered of Shipping Offices in Varna which was located, but the Surveyors were absent and the chief Surveyor later telephoned the hotel to say it was impossible to meet.

In view of the circular 2183, and the ONUS of ascertaining if the U.S.S.R. Committee were represented in Varna being placed on us before making this Journey, which while not uninteresting finally occupied 6 1/2 days for one docking, is it not possible to obtain from the U.S.S.R. a copy of the list of their offices similar to our own?

We can obtain little reliable information on these matters from vessels or agents in Istanbul despite the proximity of these Countries.

The attached interim certificate was issued to enable the present owners of the vessel to assure purchasers that there were no outstanding conditions on the Class of the vessel.

The Secretary
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Yours faithfully
for the Surveyors,

G. J. Boulter
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