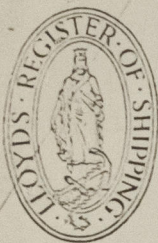


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17 Battery Place,

New York 4, N. Y.

AIR MAIL

January 2, 1962

The Secretary

LONDON

MANHATTAN MARU

*Recently completed Japan
*100% class contemplated.
(Japanese owner)*

Dear Sir:

This vessel is under survey at Balboa where Mr. Haman is attending on behalf of Lloyd's Register.

The owners' agents in New York, Messrs. A. L. Burbank, called on the telephone and stated that by arrangement with the American Bureau of Shipping, that Society represents the Nippon Kozai Kyokai, the Japanese Classification Society. However, apparently Balboa was not included in the arrangement and, therefore, the American Bureau Surveyor stated he could not attend, and the question was put at once to us whether Lloyd's Register could represent both Societies.

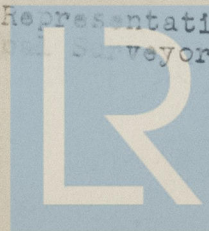
It seems to me in the case of a ship classed with the Japanese Society and ourselves there would be little or no necessity to introduce the American Bureau, but I should be glad to have your comments.

In the general case and as a number of Japanese ship owners' vessels do trade to U. S. A., it may well be that such owners would recommend an arrangement whereby we could act for the Japanese Society.

Yours faithfully,

W. J. Roberts
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Chief Representative and
Principal Surveyor

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