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THE SURVEYORS

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Dear Sir,

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In reply to your classing letter of the 25th instant regarding the "BRITISH DEFENDER" Sld Rpt 35399, it is noted that exception is taken to the length of time since the plans of the shafting were approved (viz 1937) and the machinery torsional vibration characteristics in 1944.

In view of the emphasis which has been made of the necessity of reducing the work of the plans department as much as possible, it is difficult to see the reason for re-submitting plans already approved unless some alteration has been made.

It may also be said that when a set of machinery is stated to be a duplicate of one already made it has been made from the same plans.

The crankshaft drawing in question has been in continual use since the original approval without alteration, except for very minor details of machining.

With regard to your instruction to forward information "whenever an order is obtained for machinery or boilers alleged to be a duplicate of a previous case" we have to state that should any alteration of detail in construction be made in the course of manufacture the appropriate plan has always been submitted for approval, but this is not necessarily known at the time when the Contract is placed.

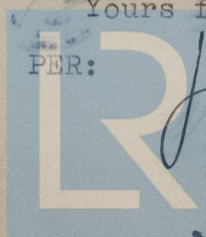
Copies of plans of the Crankshaft, Intermediate and Tailshaft of the "BRITISH DEFENDER" are enclosed herewith as requested, together with a list of the vessels which have crankshafts made to this drawing.

Yours faithfully,

THE SURVEYORS,

PER:

The Secretary,
LONDON.



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Referred to Mr. Perris.

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acknowledged with thanks.

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