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AIR MAIL

3rd October, 1956.

Dear Sirs,

s.s. "MERNOO" No.60031 in
Register Book.

A report has been received from the Melbourne Surveyors that the above named ship has been purchased by the Cambay Prince Steamship Co. of your port and that she left Melbourne on the 2nd September under her new ownership.

The classification position is that a Special Survey became due last July and the Melbourne Surveyors started a general examination with a view to a postponement of the inspection. Recommendations were made for a number of repairs but these were not carried out under the Surveyors' inspection. The ship has not been seen in dry dock since June 1955.

In order that the Committee may have a complete picture before them when the Melbourne Surveyors' report is submitted to them, I shall be much obliged if you will enquire of the Owners whether they propose to maintain classification with this Society and, in that event, what arrangements they propose to make to complete the general examination started in Melbourne.

It is felt that the Committee will desire some definite statement at an early date seeing that the Special Survey is now overdue, and accordingly it will be much appreciated if you are able to obtain an early reply to the above questions.

For your own information it is thought well to add that in view of the wastage reported by the Melbourne Surveyors it is considered quite likely that if class is not to be maintained the Committee will expunge the class on account of reported defects; and in this connection previous correspondence we have had with these Owners regarding other ships is recollected.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Clerk to

Surveyors,
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