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c/o Smith Mackenzie & Co., Ltd.,
P.O.Box 120,
Mombasa.

21st June, 1955.

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Ans'd

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your cablegram of the 17th instant in connection with M.S. "ISLE OF SILHOUETTE" which also refers to letters regarding the case.

The vessel was slipped in August, 1954 for examination but due to a dispute in Ownership no work except the minimum caulking was done in order to deal with leaks, the vessel was not re-coated, thus protection from marine termites not afforded.

The vessel had been previously slipped in May, 1953 and had to be slipped in August, 1954 on account of major leaks that had developed mainly due to termites, in the meanwhile she had to be beached on that account and had been severely strained during beaching operations. She had again to be beached in February last on account of leakage and remains on the beach to date, it must be assumed therefore that the planking is badly affected by termites.

The Owners of the only slipway in Mombasa have refused to slip the vessel on account of her condition.

The machinery has been under water at each high tide, its condition can be imagined.

The vessel was seized by the local port authorities about a month ago on account of non-payment of dues and was sold by public auction for £600 on the 15th instant to an Indian firm, The Nyanza oil Mills & Co., who purchased her presumably for scrap.

In view of the above the undersigned considers that the vessel is not a proposition with regards to re-classification with the Society.

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,

The Secretary,
LONDON.

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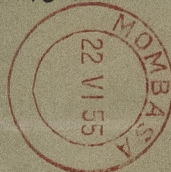
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