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S.S. "AGIOS GEORGIOS"
No. 50405 in the Register Book.

According to the Register Book the above ship is "Laid up - surveys overdue". I have attended the ship on account of stevedore damage to the No. 1 cargo winch at which time A.B. markings were observed on the ship's sides. The matter was discussed with the Master who states the Owners changed over from Lloyd's Register to A.B. in December last at Piraeus.

The Master also informed me that the Owners are not entirely satisfied with the A.B. class and are considering presenting the ship for reclassification with the Society due to the fact that the ship now has a "Service Restriction" applicable to North Atlantic crossings, and the A.B. Surveyor, Mr. Hopkins, recommends strapping the forward weather deck plating, port and starboard. So far as I understand the strapping is related to the "Service Restriction".

I looked over the forward weather deck plating and found several places where the worked ends of a considerable number of connecting rivets in a poor condition. The fore deck, port side.

I am given to understand that the ship was "laid up", the A.B. Surveyor has mentioned the Owners and mention was made of the ship was classed by the A.B.

The contents of this letter are of interest to you and perhaps to provide you with further information.

The Secretary,
 LONDON.

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