

s/s Port Darwin

It is submitted the Owners be informed, a report has been received from the Society's Surveyors at Sydney N. S.W., that scupper holes have been cut through the plates which were riveted to the shell plating in order to close the scuppers from the shelter between decks, in connexion with the closing of the tonnage opening and reduced freeboard assignment.

In order to retain the freeboard assigned it will be necessary to renew the plates to close the scupper openings referred to, or if it is intended to retain the openings now made, amended freeboards can be assigned accordingly, as originally intended if the scupper openings had not been closed.

The Owners should be requested to intimate which arrangement they propose to adopt.

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