



Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

Ocean Chambers, Lowgate,

Hull, 8th October, 1940.

Dear Sir,

The steamer "MICHAEL JEBSON", has arrived here, and we shall be glad to have your guidance about this case.

She was a German built and classed vessel, but is now owned by the Ministry of Shipping, and managed by D. Alexander & Sons.

She has on board an International Load Line Certificate issued at Hong Kong and valid until April 22nd, 1944. This certificate was issued by the Government Marine Surveyor at the request of the Government of Denmark.

She also has on board a freeboard certificate issued on June 14th, 1940 by our own Surveyor at Hong Kong, and valid until December 12th, 1940.

The Superintendent has been to see us, particularly as his letters of instructions from the Ministry of Shipping mentions that the ship should be classified by Lloyds. There is also on board a certificate from our Surveyor at Hong Kong stating that a General Examination was carried out and that the ship is in a satisfactory condition for six months.

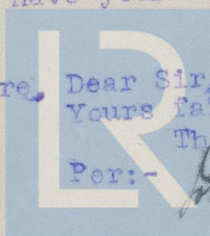
We take it that this certificate and freeboard certificate are sufficient in the meantime, without our proceeding with a survey for a full classification of the vessel, subject of course to further examination being made when they expire.

There are in the bridge space two small trimming hatches, and at the request of the Owners, these are now being trunked up to the boat deck. The trunks will be of 6" steel, terminating on the boat deck with 9" bulb angles coamings with proper securing arrangements. This we trust will be in order.

We shall be glad to have your views on this case as soon as possible.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
The Surveyors,
Per: - *[Signature]*

The Secretary,
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