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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

12th May, 1930.

Dear Sir,

S. I am in receipt of your letter of the 8th instant enclosing one from Mr. Wilkie, the Superintendent Engineer to Messrs. Elder Dempster & Co., Ltd., at your port, having further reference to the steamer "ILORIN", and with reference to the point he raises regarding the dates of Special Survey of this vessel I shall be glad if you will explain that the records as given in his letter are quite correct, viz:- that the vessel was built in 1908 and underwent Special Survey No.3 in February, 1922, from which date of course the subsequent surveys as required by the Rules, would count.

It appears, however, from the reports in this Office that the Special Survey No.1 following this Number 3 was held in December, 1924 although the survey was not actually due until February, 1926. From the information available in this Office there does not appear to be any particular reason for the survey to have been taken in hand before it was due, but in a letter from Mr. Wilson, the Society's Acting Surveyor at Lagos, dated the 11th December, 1924, he states in reply to an inquiry which had previously been addressed to him regarding

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the Boiler Survey "this vessel is now undergoing Boiler
"and Special Survey".

The Special Survey No.2, as Mr. Wilkie rightly points
out, does not become due until eight years from 1922 and this
makes this survey due upon the vessel in February this year.

As already pointed out in my letter of the 2nd
instant there is no record in this Office that any part of
this 2nd Special Survey No.2 on the hull has been carried out.

In view of the statement contained in Mr. Wilkie's
letter that it is not the Owners' intention to put this
vessel through her 2nd Special Survey No.2 and that the survey
in question is now nearly three months overdue, I shall be
glad to know whether it is now the desire of the Owners to
withdraw the classification of this vessel from the Society.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

pro Secretary.

The Secretary,
LIVERPOOL.



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