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12th May 1942.

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Messrs. Port Line Ltd., Lloyd's Agents,

and with the consent of the Owners Representatives attend upon the T.S.M.S. "W A I W E R A", 12435 tons gross, of Southampton, afloat and in dry dock, for the purpose of examining the vessel for damage stated to have been caused by enemy action at Colombo on the 5th April 1942.

The vessel is reported to have been severely shaken by blast from "near misses" of bombs and special examination was made in dry dock of the bottom rudder and underwater fittings.

ON EXAMINATION FOUND

The bottom and side plating, riveting etc. in good condition. The rudder apparently undisturbed and all underwater fittings and fastenings intact. The sea connections, when opened up, in good condition.

The No. 3 starboard derrick indented and punctured near its head.

The lower topping lift block swivel eye deeply scored.

RECOMMENDED

That cement be removed from the bolt heads and nuts of rudder coupling for special examination in way of previous electric welding repairs at this part. That the sea connections be opened up for examination.

To be repaired by electric welding.

New swivel eye to be made and fitted.



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RECOMMENDED

Standard compass glass broken.

New glass to be fitted.

The above recommendations were necessary in our opinion in order to place the vessel and her equipment in as good a condition as before the said damage and have now been satisfactorily carried out.

In addition to the above repairs for damage by enemy action 5/4/42, an outstanding item of damage by enemy action at Liverpool May 1941, was carried out at this port viz. The port accommodation ladder which had its steps and side stringer broken, has now been renewed, after obtaining alternative prices for its repair and its renewal.

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