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ENCLOSURES.

12th December, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I have to inform you that all particulars of the R.F.A. "EBONOL" were omitted from the Society's Register Book as the Admiralty stated in December 1941 that she had been lost through enemy action.

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The Admiralty have recently stated that the vessel has been recovered from the Japanese (bearing the name "ENOSHIMA MARU") and they state that arrangements are being made for her to be repaired at Singapore and that the necessary surveys for reclassification will be carried out during this refitting.

To entitle the vessel's class to be reinstated it will be necessary for the requirements of the 2nd Special Survey No. 3 to be complied with. This inspection includes the drilling of the shell plating and in this connection I have to say that a reduction of $3\frac{1}{3}\%$ is permitted in the thickness of the shell for plates here and there, but if deterioration of a general character is evident, particulars of the thicknesses as ascertained by drilling should be forwarded immediately to this Office for consideration.

The Rules require the plating to be drilled amidships and in the vicinity of the peaks, also such parts of the structure as deemed necessary. Particulars of the original thickness of the shell plating are shown on the attached sheet.

Should it prove impracticable to carry out the requirements of the above Special Survey at this time a General Examination in accordance with the terms of Circular No. 1772 should be made, including drydocking, Boiler and Screwshaft Surveys, in order that a notation of "Examined" with date can be assigned. For your guidance I enclose a copy of the Circular in question.

Full particulars of the equipment on board should be furnished with your report.

Yours faithfully,

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Clerk to the
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