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VESSEL'S NAME "DONA AURORA" REPORT L.A. No. 8750

The remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

"The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/92.)

The class is subject to permanent repairs to slight leakage at forward bulkhead of forward settling tank in No.1 port wing tank at the first opportunity and to stem, buckled bow plating and indented shell plating (p.s.f) at the first convenient opportunity.

The Lloyd's Agent Surveyor at DARESSALAAM reports (10.42) this tanker examined as far as practicable afloat after grounding, soundings taken and no evidence of leakage found.

The bottom, however, was found buckled in several plates, most extensively between No.8 starboard and No.5 starboard tanks.

Leakage was found from adjacent tanks into cofferdam spaces.

As no diver was available, nothing is known regarding the sternframe.

The Surveyor considers the sternframe should be examined at the earliest opportunity and the vessel be further examined in dry dock.

An Interim Certificate has been issued for the vessel to proceed to the nearest dry dock, i.e. Durban provided daily contact is maintained between the vessel and the Naval Control.

It is submitted action be deferred for dry docking and repairs after grounding.

Insert in SRL: Dry Dk. (Grounding) Repairs.

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