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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

11th November, 1936.

Dear Sir,

S. I duly received your letter of the 2nd instant together with that of Mr. van Herwerden, relative to the steering arrangements in the case of the motorship "ARTHURTOWN", Rotterdam report No. 24880.

With regard thereto I have to say that as the result of conferences in this Office between representatives of the Owners and Builders and the Society's Staff, modifications to the main hand gear have been approved and carried out. These have resulted in the satisfactory operation of the rudder, but the undoubted defect which previously existed, namely, that the auxiliary gear could not be fitted in an emergency without removal of the main gear, has still to be overcome.

Plans in connexion therewith are being prepared and will be submitted for approval in due course, and a further communication will be sent you on the whole subject as soon as final modifications have been agreed upon.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

R. Leeuwenburg, Esq.,
ROTTERDAM.

Secretary.

temporarily bound, thus bringing undue stress on the gear and its controls, and rendering steering difficult.