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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

21st March, 1933.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to the classification in this Society's Register Book of your s.s. "VINCAS", I beg to inform you that before the vessel left Curacao in September last the Society's Surveyors at that port reported that on account of leakage of gasoline from the cargo tanks into store spaces, tunnel and cofferdam, temporary repairs were effected and the Surveyors recommended the main cargo tanks to be further examined and permanent repairs carried out on completion of that voyage.

From information which has now been received from the Society's Surveyors at Melbourne, where it is understood the vessel is being used as a depot for discharging oil at Western Port, it would appear that you are not prepared to carry out the permanent repairs required, but only to agree to the Society's Surveyors carrying out periodical examinations of the vessel in drydock.

The Surveyors also state they have called your attention to the fact that the 2nd Special Survey No.3 becomes due at the end of the present month, but no definite information can be obtained as to whether you intend to carry out this survey.

The case has been under the consideration of the Committee at their Meeting today and, in all the circumstances, they desire

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me to say that, having regard to the recommendations made by the Society's Surveyors at Curacao in September last, they consider that to entitle the vessel to retain her class the 2nd Special Survey No.3 should be put in hand without delay.

If you should not be prepared to submit the vessel to the required survey, the Committee would have to consider seriously dealing with the vessel's class, unless it would be in your interests to ask that the class be withdrawn. I shall, therefore, be glad to hear from you on this point by return mail.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

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