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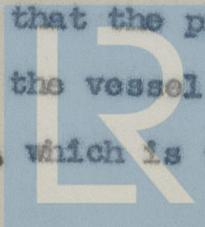
15th May, 1936.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, applying for a postponement of between four and six months beyond the year of grace for the completion of the Second Special Survey No.3 of your s.s. "MARIE MOLLER", ex "BENVANNOCH".

Your letter was read to the Committee at their meeting to-day, who have given the matter their very careful consideration. They desire me to point out that this request is a very unusual one and could not be entertained in the ordinary circumstances; further, that it was understood from the Society's Surveyor at Shanghai in November last that the Charter on which the vessel was engaged would expire in April, and in view of a satisfactory general examination which was made in Shanghai in October the Committee agreed to the completion of the special survey being left over until that date.

They are therefore somewhat surprised to hear from your present letter that you state that the previous time charter is still in force and that the vessel cannot be returned until the early Autumn, which is the reason for



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your request for the further postponement.

Whilst the Committee are anxious to meet you as far as they possibly can in the matter, I am directed to say that if you will be good enough to arrange for a further general examination to be carried out by one of the Society's Exclusive Surveyors at a port in the Far East, the Committee will be prepared to give favourable consideration to your request, if the Surveyor's report is entirely satisfactory.

If you will therefore be good enough to let me know at what port such an examination can be held, I will at once communicate with the Surveyor, with a view to the inspection being made.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
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