

Motorship "ANNELIESE ESSBERGER"

The attached letter has been received from Mr. Johnson at Hamburg.

Mr. Johnson telephoned the Chief Ship Surveyor last night. He said that the damage was as stated, namely, that the sheerstrake and stringer plate were cracked but not at welds, and that there were cracks at the sides of the hatch corners, that the loading was normal, being a homogeneous cargo of grain, and that no signs of buckling of decks such as was assumed to have taken place in the "ANGLO AUSTRALIAN" were visible.

Mr. Johnson stated that full information would be sent to this Office but that it might be thought advisable, in view of the letter received, for the Chief Ship Surveyor to visit this ship.

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