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Lisbon, 9th November, 1920.

George Payne, Esq.,

Ship & Engineer Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Dear Sir,

We have before us your debit note for surveys on behalf of Lloyd's Register signed by Mr. Gunner referring to the trawlers "Maria Leonor" and "Maria Helena" which you sent to this company and which we do not pay.

The first of these vessels has not yet been handed over to this company although we are to accept same but only when the present Owners give her ready with all the conditions stipulated (which does not refer to classification in Lloyd's) the second vessel has already been delivered and we never requested any survey to be held, therefore the late owners should pay it if they asked with which we have nothing to do.

With reference to the others that may be handed over it was mentioned privately to you by our colleague Mr. Fernando Costa; "we do not desire to continue with the Lloyd's classification the chief reason being that this formality does not bring us any special advantages because we have the trawlers exclusively for our own use and we are prohibited from selling them to foreigners, and therefore they do not depreciate by not having them classed, and further we intend to insure them ourselves on behalf the company because the quantity of trawlers we have already under our administration

We take the liberty of returning to you debit note which you sent us in mistake.

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Yours faithfully,



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