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Nov. 29, 1919.

A. L. Jones Esq.,

Surveyor to Lloyd's,

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Dear Sir,

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. we are very sorry to say that we are not able to comply with your wish regarding the reclassifying ^{of} the S.S. "NiitakaMaru".

The chief reason is, in short, that there is, at present no advantage accruing from classifying coasting vessel plying between ports east of Singapore.

So I hope you will understand that the step we take is reasonable so far as our own interest is concerned.

Yours very truly,



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