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17th August 1947.

Dear Sirs,

The Committee yesterday had under consideration your Report No.54243 of Classification Survey held on the Steamer "REYKJANES" ex "Empire Contay", but withheld the assignment of class pending enquiry regarding the equipment on board.

I think it well to point out that at the present moment, the Committee are considering the view held in many quarters that classification should be conditional upon efficient equipment. The case under review is a British Ship, and although it is realised that the Owners do not desire the Figure '1', they would like to be furnished with some particulars of the number of anchors and of the amount of equipment on board, more particularly because of the statement in your letter of the 25th April last that it might be necessary to order new anchors and cables to bring the equipment in accordance with the Rule requirements.

I shall be glad therefore if you will confer with the Owners with a view to the desired information being furnished

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so that the case can be re-submitted to the Committee on Friday next.

At the same time, I have to request that you will state the spacing of the solid floors, the thickness of the tankside brackets, and verify the breadth at bottom of the bracket floors at the margin plate.

It is concluded the hatchways in the 2nd deck in way of the after hold are fitted with shifting beams and wood covers, but I shall be glad if you will state if this is so.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the  
Classification Committee.

The Surveyors,

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