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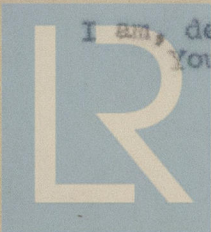
3rd January 1944.

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Dear Sir,

I enclose a cablegram which has been received from Mr. Townshend the Society's Principal Surveyor for Sweden, regarding "soft" steel of Belgian origin supplied for Messrs. A/B Lindholmens Varv Yard No. 979, together with a copy of a cabled enquiry which has been sent to Gothenburg on the subject. This question was recently raised in connection with a vessel building by Messrs. Kockums Mek. Verkstads A.-B., Malmo, and the relevant papers on this case are also enclosed.

With regard thereto, I shall be glad if you will be so good as to confer with Mr. Lewis, Special Surveyor for Steel at Glasgow, and advise this office if you see any objection to the use of this "soft" steel of the quality shown in the letters received from Gothenburg dated 25th November and 2nd December last, provided structural compensation be fitted, the amount of which would be in the ratio of the ultimate strength of the material as compared with that required by the Rules.

I am, dear Sir,  Yours faithfully,

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